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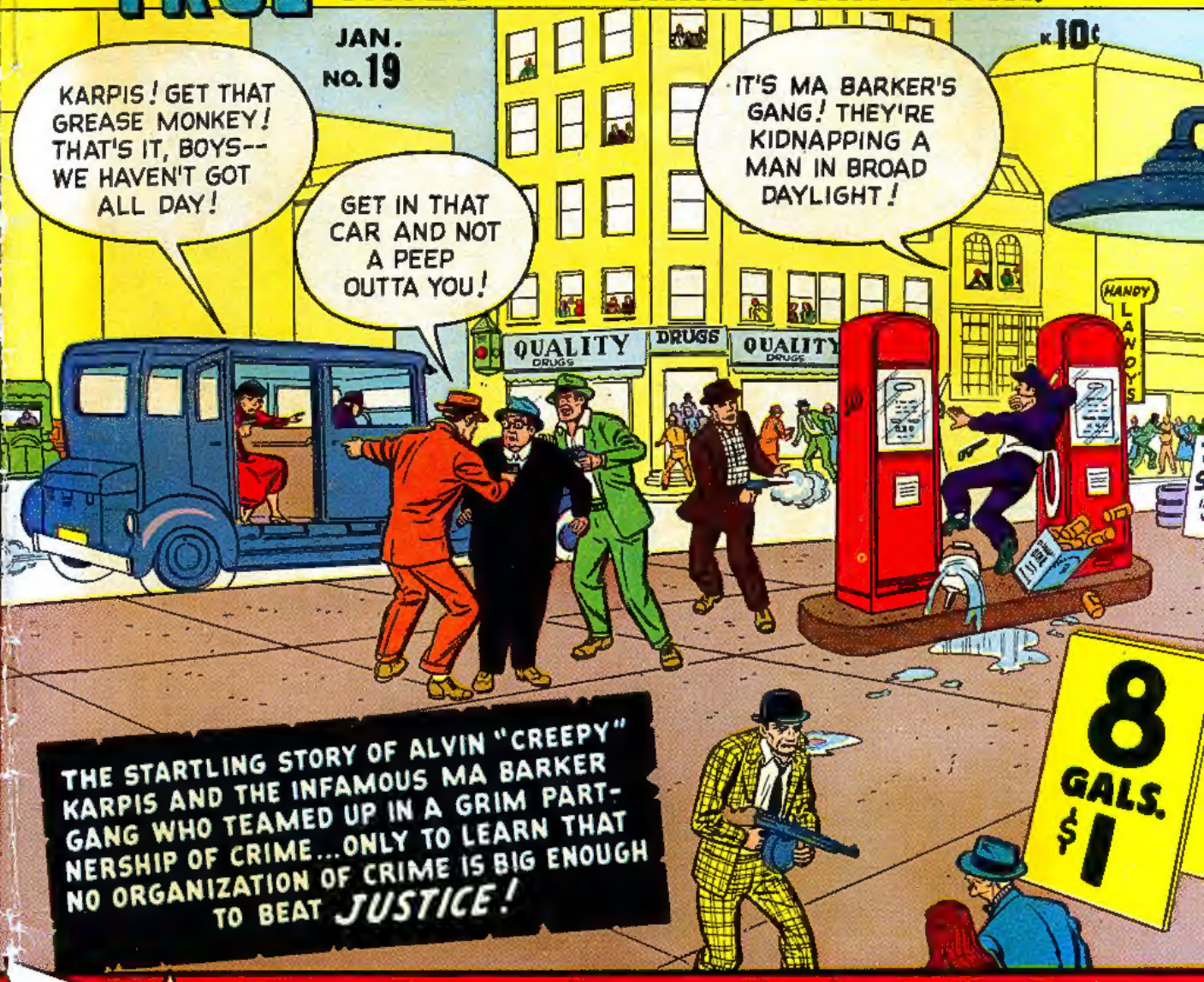
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KARPIS! GET THAT GREASE MONKEY! THAT'S IT, BOYS-- WE HAVEN'T GOT ALL DAY!
GET IN THAT CAR AND NOT A PEEP OUTTA YOU!
IT'S MA BARKER'S GANG! THEY'RE KIDNAPPING A MAN IN BROAD DAYLIGHT!
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THE STARTLING STORY OF ALVIN "CREEPY" KARPIS AND THE INFAMOUS MA BARKER GANG WHO TEAMED UP IN A GRIM PARTNERSHIP OF CRIME...ONLY TO LEARN THAT NO ORGANIZATION OF CRIME IS BIG ENOUGH TO BEAT JUSTICE!

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"DEATH OF A SPY!" FROM OFFICIAL FILES!

1940's HAMMER HORROR! THE EAST'S MOST DANGEROUS CRIMINAL!

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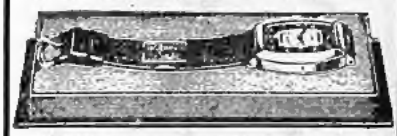

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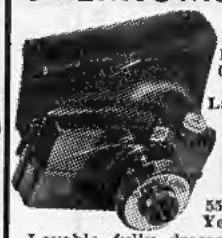

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# ALVIN CREEPY KARPIS

YES, THIS IS ALVIN KARPIS, A MAN SO THOROUGHLY EVIL THAT THE HARDENED CRIMINALS OF THE UNDERWORLD NAMED HIM "CREEPY"! A VIOLENT HOODLUM WHOSE CRIMINAL CAREER CAME TO AN END IN 1936 WHEN HE WAS ONLY 27 YEARS OLD... YOUNG IN YEARS BUT ANCIENT IN THE BRUTAL, SLIMY WAYS OF CRIME! THIS IS HIS STORY AS THE F.B.I. KNEW IT... THE STORY OF A MAN WHO LEARNED TOO LATE THAT JUSTICE ALWAYS WINS OVER CRIME!

SORRY, BABY, I AIN'T GOT NO USE FOR YOU NOW! I'M LAMMIN' OUTTA HERE BEFORE THEY PLUG ME!

ALVIN... THEY'VE GOT ME... IN THE LEG! ALVIN... DON'T LEAVE ME...!

ALVIN KARPIS:
BANK ROBBER
KIDNAPPER
KILLER
HOODLUM

PERMANENT ADDRESS:
ALCATRAZ!

IN THE LATE AUTUMN OF 1934, THE BULLET-RIDDLED BODY OF "BABY FACE" NELSON WAS FOUND IN A DITCH OUTSIDE OF CHICAGO!

IT'S BABY FACE ALL RIGHT... SHOT TO PIECES!

HE AND HIS GANG GOT TWO OF OUR MEN IN THAT GUN BATTLE! WELL, THAT'S THE END OF PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1... AND DEAD IN A DITCH!

I WONDER WHO'LL BECOME PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1 NOW THAT NELSON IS DEAD?

SHORTLY THEREAFTER, ALVIN "OLD CREEPY" KARPIS, A SURLY, SCRAWNY UNDER WORLDLING INHERITED NELSON'S TITLE OF PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1!

HEY, CREEPY, GET A LOAD OF THE PAPER.. YOU'RE GETTIN' FAMOUS.. THEY JUST NAMED YOU PUBLIC ENEMY NO. 1!

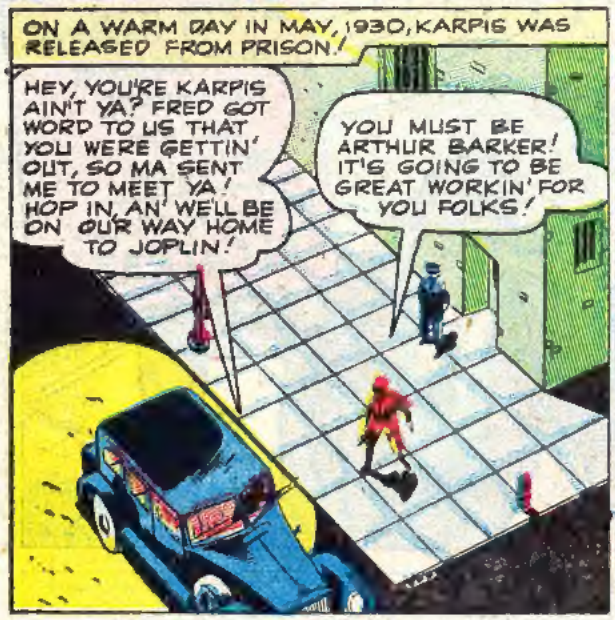
IT'S ABOUT TIME THEY GAVE ME SOME CREDIT! HEY, THAT'S A LOUSY PICTURE OF ME.. I'LL HAVE TO SEND THEM A GOOD ONE.. WITHOUT A NUMBER ON IT!

TIMES

KARPIS NAMED

THAT WAS ALVIN KARPIS AT THE HEIGHT OF HIS CRIMINAL CAREER! BUT LET US GO BACK TO THE EARLIER DAYS, BACK TO THAT NIGHT IN A TOPEKA POLICE STATION, WHEN ALVIN WAS ONLY 18!
HMMMM... ALVIN KARPIS, REAL NAME, RAYMOND KARPAVICZ, ARRESTED AFTER A SERIES OF ROBBERIES AT THE AGE OF 16! SENTENCED TO 10 YEARS... ESCAPED! QUITE A RECORD FOR A YOUNGSTER... AND NOW WE'VE PICKED YOU UP FOR CAR STEALING! YOU'LL BE SENT TO JAIL AGAIN, WHERE YOU BELONG!
YEAH? WELL I'LL GET OUT, AND WHEN I DO I'LL TAKE CARE OF GUYS LIKE YOU!

IN JAIL KARPIS BECAME FRIENDLY WITH ANOTHER INMATE NAMED BARKER!
LISTEN, KID, YOU'RE ALL RIGHT... YOU'LL GO PLACES IN THE RACKETS! TELL YA WHAT! YOU'LL GET OUT BEFORE ME, AN' WHEN YA DO, GO TO MY MAW... SHE'LL SHOW YA THE ROPES!
I'LL DO THAT, FRED! I'VE HEARD OF "MA" BARKER, AND YOUR BROTHER, ARTHUR!
ALL RIGHT, BREAK IT UP!

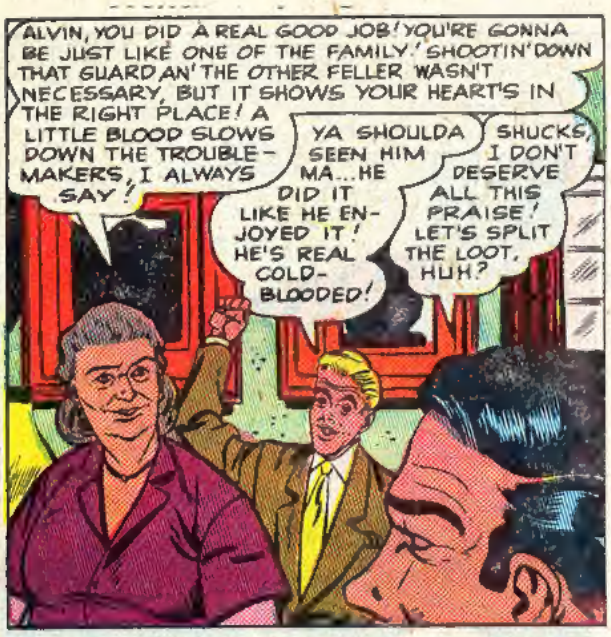

ON A WARM DAY IN MAY, 1930, KARPIS WAS RELEASED FROM PRISON!
HEY, YOU'RE KARPIS AIN'T YA? FRED GOT WORD TO US THAT YOU WERE GETTIN' OUT, SO MA SENT ME TO MEET YA! HOP IN, AN' WE'LL BE ON OUR WAY HOME TO JOPLIN!
YOU MUST BE ARTHUR BARKER! IT'S GOING TO BE GREAT WORKIN' FOR YOU FOLKS!

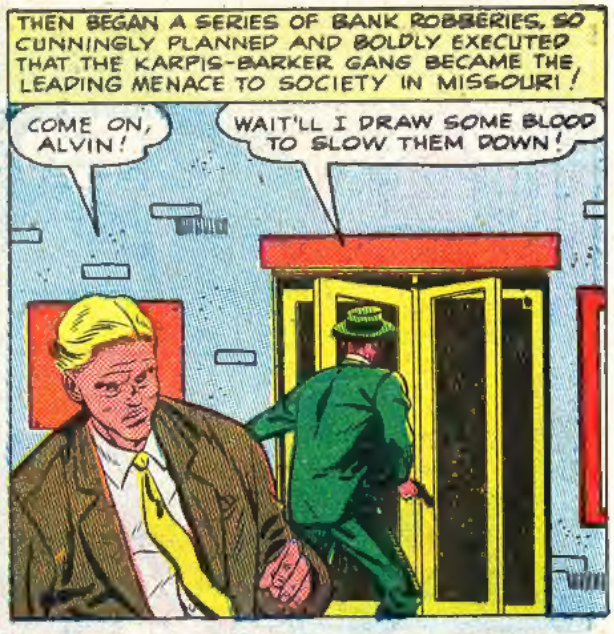
MA, MEET ALVIN!
WELCOME, SON! FRED'S WRITTEN US A LOT ABOUT YOU! HOW IS MY BOY?
HE'S FINE! HE'LL BE GETTIN' OUT SOON! WELL, WHEN DO WE GO TO WORK?

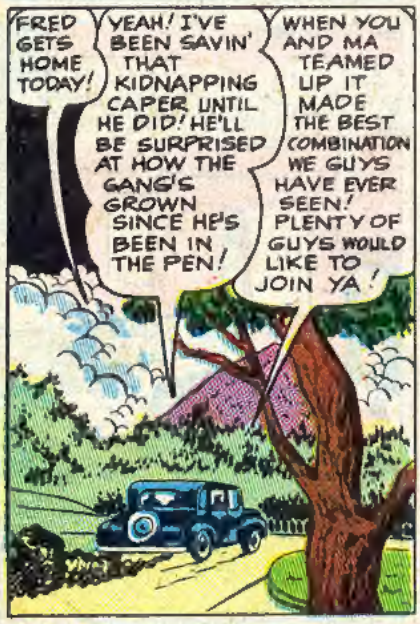
THAT'S THE SPIRIT! ALVIN, I'VE GOT A NICE LITTLE CAPER ALL MAPPED OUT... A BANK JOB!
TELL ME ABOUT IT... I CAN'T WAIT TO GO TO WORK!
MA REALLY KNOWS HOW TO PLAN THEM!

SO KARPIS STEPPED UP INTO THE BIG TIME IN THE CRIMINAL LEAGUE!
HEY, WHAT'RE YOU... ARRGH!
THIS IS A STICK-UP, AND IF THE REST OF YOU DON'T WANT WHAT HE GOT YOU'LL STAND STILL, AND WON'T MAKE ANY FALSE MOVES!
HOLD 'EM, ALVIN... I'LL GET THE CASH!

THAT'S JUST A WARNING NOT TO FOLLOW US! LET'S GO, ARTHUR!
A GOOD HAUL... MA WILL BE PLEASED!


ALVIN, YOU DID A REAL GOOD JOB! YOU'RE GONNA BE JUST LIKE ONE OF THE FAMILY! SHOOTIN' DOWN THAT GUARD AN' THE OTHER FELLER WASN'T NECESSARY, BUT IT SHOWS YOUR HEART'S IN THE RIGHT PLACE! A LITTLE BLOOD SLOWS DOWN THE TROUBLE-MAKERS, I ALWAYS SAY!
YA SHOULDA SEEN HIM MA...HE DID IT LIKE HE ENJOYED IT! HE'S REAL COLD-BLOODED!
SHUCKS, I DON'T DESERVE ALL THIS PRAISE! LET'S SPLIT THE LOOT, HUH?


THEN BEGAN A SERIES OF BANK ROBBERIES, SO CUNNINGLY PLANNED AND BOLDLY EXECUTED THAT THE KARPIS-BARKER GANG BECAME THE LEADING MENACE TO SOCIETY IN MISSOURI!
COME ON, ALVIN!
WAIT'LL I DRAW SOME BLOOD TO SLOW THEM DOWN!


FRED GETS HOME TODAY!
YEAH! I'VE BEEN SAVIN' THAT KIDNAPPING CAPER UNTIL HE DID! HE'LL BE SURPRISED AT HOW THE GANG'S GROWN SINCE HE'S BEEN IN THE PEN!
WHEN YOU AND MA TEAMED UP IT MADE THE BEST COMBINATION WE GUYS HAVE EVER SEEN! PLENTY OF GUYS WOULD LIKE TO JOIN YA!

FRED! BOY, IT'S SURE GOOD TO HAVE YOU BACK!
HI, ARTHUR! ALVIN, MA'S BEEN TELLIN' ME GREAT THINGS ABOUT YOU!
WE'VE BEEN DOING ALL RIGHT, FRED!
THIS CALLS FOR A CELEBRATION! PUT ON YOUR GLAD RAGS, WE'RE GOING OUT ON THE TOWN!

IN A CABARET OWNED BY ONE OF THE UNDERWORLD MOB, MA AND THE GANG HAD THEIR PARTY!
SAY THAT DAME'S REAL GOOD!
THAT'S DOLORES DELANEY, SHE CAN BE TRUSTED!
YEAH, SHE'S A GOOD KID! HEY, SAM! TELL DOLORES TO COME ON OVER WHEN SHE'S THROUGH!
SURE!

DOLORES, ALVIN HERE COULDN'T TAKE HIS EYES OFF YOU!
I'VE HEARD ABOUT ALVIN KARPIS! IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET YOU!
SIT DOWN, BABY!

SO KARPIS MET DOLORES, THE GIRL TO WHOM HE GAVE WHAT LITTLE LOVE A COLD BLOODED CRIMINAL SUCH AS HE WAS HAD TO GIVE!
LOOK, MA, HERE COMES THE LAWYER WHO HAD MY CASE! HE LOUSED IT UP, GOOD!
YEAH, IF YOU'D HAD ANOTHER LAWYER YOU'D HAVE GOTTEN A LIGHTER STRETCH! I'D LIKE TO KILL THAT NO GOOD MOUTHPIECE!
SHUCKS, MA, WISHIN' DON'T GET YOU ANYPLACE!

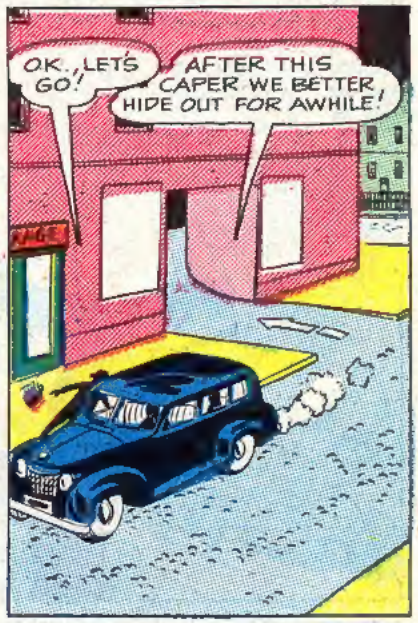
ANYBODY WHO DOES DIRT TO A BARKER, DOES IT TO ME TOO... AND I KILL ANYBODY WHO DON'T TREAT ME RIGHT!
I MIGHT AS WELL GET MY LICKS IN TOO!

LET'S GET OUT OF HERE! THAT SHYSTER HAD A LOT OF FRIENDS!
WELL, IT'S A GOOD WAY TO WIND UP A CELEBRATION! YOU COMING WITH ME, BABY?
SURE, HONEY, IF YOU WANT ME TO!

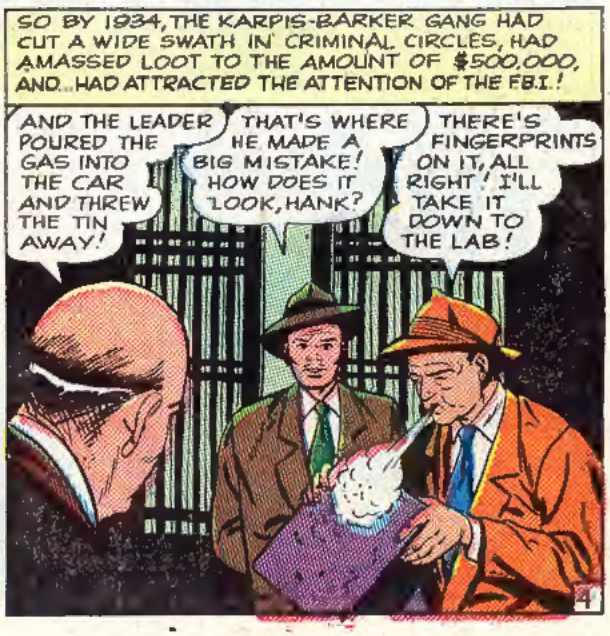
DR'VE TO ST. PAUL... WE'RE GOING TO SNATCH THAT BIG BREWER! HE'S LOADED WITH DOUGH, AND HIS FAMILY'LL PAY PLENTY TO GET HIM BACK! IT'LL BE BETTER THAN ROBBIN' A BANK! WE'LL MAKE THEM PAY $100,000!
THAT'S WHAT I LIKE ABOUT YOU, ALVIN! YOU DON'T WASTE NO TIME!

IN ST. PAUL THE KIDNAPPING WENT OFF WITHOUT A HITCH!
WHAT IS THE MEANING OF THIS?
QUIET IF YOU WANT TO LIVE! THIS IS A SNATCH! AS SOON AS YOUR FAMILY PAYS UP YOU'LL GO HOME TO THEM... GET IT?
HEY, ALVIN, WE'RE LOW ON GAS! GET THAT CAN AND FILL OUR TANK!

YOU SURE CASED THIS JOB RIGHT! HE WAS RIGHT INSIDE THE GARAGE READY TO PULL OUT IN. HIS NEW BUGGY! WE'VE GOT PLENTY OF GAS NOW, MA!
GOOD WORK, ALVIN! HOP IN!


OK., LET'S GO!
AFTER THIS CAPER WE BETTER HIDE OUT FOR AWHILE!
GAGE

THE KIDNAPPING SEEMED EASY MONEY TO THE GANG, SO THEY REPEATED BY SNATCHING A BANKER!
WHAT ???
YOU'RE BEING KIDNAPPED, MISTER! WALK TOWARD THAT CAR AND GET IN! YOU'RE LUCKY WE AIN'T ROBBIN' YOUR BANK, TOO, BUT WE AIN'T HOGS.. WE'LL SAVE THAT FOR SOME OTHER TIME!


SO BY 1934, THE KARPIS-BARKER GANG HAD CUT A WIDE SWATH IN CRIMINAL CIRCLES, HAD AMASSED LOOT TO THE AMOUNT OF $500,000, AND... HAD ATTRACTED THE ATTENTION OF THE F.B.I.!
AND THE LEADER POURED THE GAS INTO THE CAR AND THREW THE TIN AWAY!
THAT'S WHERE HE MADE A BIG MISTAKE! HOW DOES IT LOOK, HANK?
THERE'S FINGERPRINTS ON IT, ALL RIGHT! I'LL TAKE IT DOWN TO THE LAB!

SLOWLY THE NOOSE GREW TIGHTER AROUND THE GANG! HOOVER, CHIEF OF THE FBI, PUT A REWARD ON KARPIS' HEAD FOR $5,000
HERE COMES, OLD CREEPY!
HEY, THAT'S A GOOD NAME FOR ALVIN! HE'S SO COLD BLOODED EVEN THE GANG BOYS ARE AFRAID OF HIM... HE GIVES THEM THE CREEPS!
WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING SO GLUM ABOUT, ALVIN?
WHATAYA THINK? ALL THE DOUGH WE'VE GOT, AND WHAT GOOD DOES IT DO US? I CAN'T BUY A FLASHY CAR OR A DECENT SUIT BECAUSE I MIGHT BE CONSPICUOUS! ALL WE DO IS SNEAK AROUND FROM ONE PLACE TO THE OTHER, WATCHING FOR COPS! I'M GOIN' UP IN THE MOUNTAINS AN' FISH... THAT'S THE ONE THING I LIKE TO DO THAT I CAN!
HAVE A GOOD TIME, KIDS! WHEN YOU COME BACK THINGS'LL HAVE SETTLED DOWN AN' WE CAN GO TO WORK AGAIN!
SO LONG, MA! TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF! THE REST OF YA BETTER SCATTER, TOO!
TWENTY MINUTES AFTER "OLD CREEPY" AND HIS GIRL HAD LEFT, THE F.B.I. CLOSED IN ON THE BARKERS!
THROW DOWN YOUR GUNS AND COME OUT WITH YOUR HANDS UP OR WE'LL COME IN AND GET YOU!
IT'S THE F.B.I., MA!
COME IN AND GET US, YOU DIRTY FEDS!
BAM!
PUT DOWN THOSE GUNS!
COME AND GET IT, YA... ARRGGH!
MAMA... THEY GOT... ME!
ARRH!
WELL WE FINALLY CAUGHT UP WITH THE BARKER BROOD!
YES, BUT WE MISSED KARPIS!
THE NEWS CAME TO KARPIS IN HIS FISHING CAMP IN THE HILLS!
I SURE LIKE TO FISH... IT THE ONLY TIME I FEEL PEACEFUL! I'M GOING TO FISH AS MUCH AS I CAN...
WE'VE GOT COMPANY... IT'S CAMPBELL!
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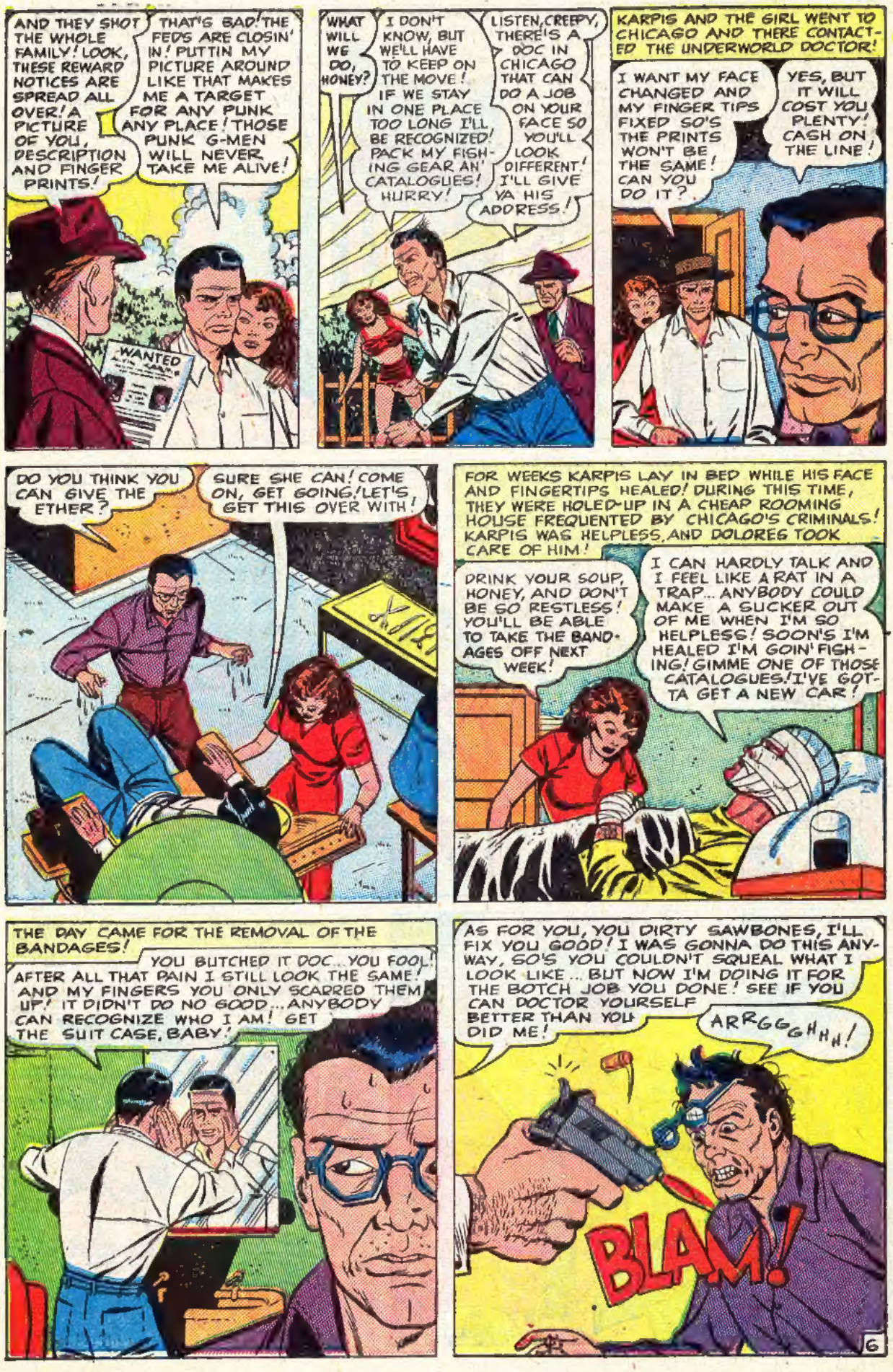
AND THEY SHOT THE WHOLE FAMILY! LOOK, THESE REWARD NOTICES ARE SPREAD ALL OVER! A PICTURE OF YOU, DESCRIPTION AND FINGER PRINTS!
THAT'S BAD! THE FEDS ARE CLOSIN' IN! PUTTIN MY PICTURE AROUND LIKE THAT MAKES ME A TARGET FOR ANY PUNK ANY PLACE! THOSE PUNK G-MEN WILL NEVER TAKE ME ALIVE!
WANTED
WHAT WILL WE DO, HONEY?
I DON'T KNOW, BUT WE'LL HAVE TO KEEP ON THE MOVE! IF WE STAY IN ONE PLACE TOO LONG I'LL BE RECOGNIZED! PACK MY FISHING GEAR AN' CATALOGUES! HURRY!
LISTEN, CREEPY, THERE'S A DOC IN CHICAGO THAT CAN DO A JOB ON YOUR FACE SO YOU'LL LOOK DIFFERENT! I'LL GIVE YA HIS ADDRESS!
KARPIS AND THE GIRL WENT TO CHICAGO AND THERE CONTACTED THE UNDERWORLD DOCTOR!
I WANT MY FACE CHANGED AND MY FINGER TIPS FIXED SO'S THE PRINTS WON'T BE THE SAME! CAN YOU DO IT?
YES, BUT IT WILL COST YOU PLENTY! CASH ON THE LINE!
DO YOU THINK YOU CAN GIVE THE ETHER?
SURE SHE CAN! COME ON, GET GOING! LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH!
FOR WEEKS KARPIS LAY IN BED WHILE HIS FACE AND FINGERTIPS HEALED! DURING THIS TIME, THEY WERE HOLED-UP IN A CHEAP ROOMING HOUSE FREQUENTED BY CHICAGO'S CRIMINALS! KARPIS WAS HELPLESS, AND DOLORES TOOK CARE OF HIM!
DRINK YOUR SOUP, HONEY, AND DON'T BE SO RESTLESS! YOU'LL BE ABLE TO TAKE THE BANDAGES OFF NEXT WEEK!
I CAN HARDLY TALK AND I FEEL LIKE A RAT IN A TRAP... ANYBODY COULD MAKE A SUCKER OUT OF ME WHEN I'M SO HELPLESS! SOON'S I'M HEALED I'M GOIN' FISHING! GIMME ONE OF THOSE CATALOGUES! I'VE GOTTA GET A NEW CAR!
THE DAY CAME FOR THE REMOVAL OF THE BANDAGES!
YOU BUTCHED IT DOC... YOU FOOL! AFTER ALL THAT PAIN I STILL LOOK THE SAME! AND MY FINGERS YOU ONLY SCARRED THEM UP! IT DIDN'T DO NO GOOD... ANYBODY CAN RECOGNIZE WHO I AM! GET THE SUIT CASE, BABY!
AS FOR YOU, YOU DIRTY SAWBONES, I'LL FIX YOU GOOD! I WAS GONNA DO THIS ANYWAY, SO'S YOU COULDN'T SQUEAL WHAT I LOOK LIKE... BUT NOW I'M DOING IT FOR THE BOTCH JOB YOU DONE! SEE IF YOU CAN DOCTOR YOURSELF BETTER THAN YOU DID ME!
ARRGGGHHH!
BLAM!
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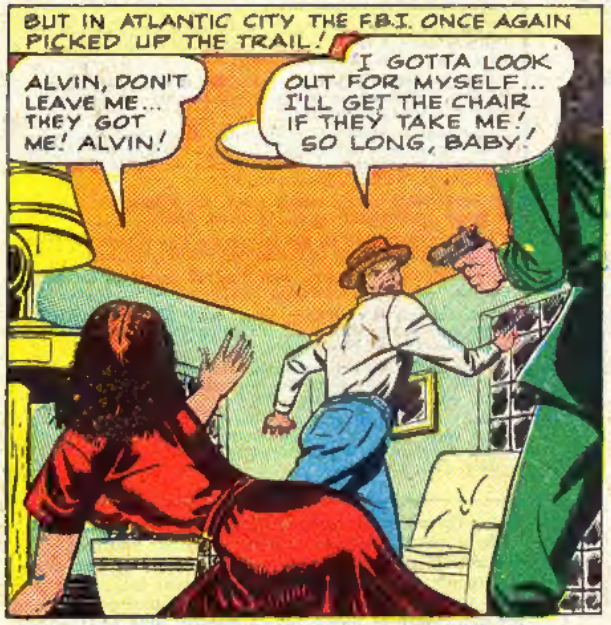
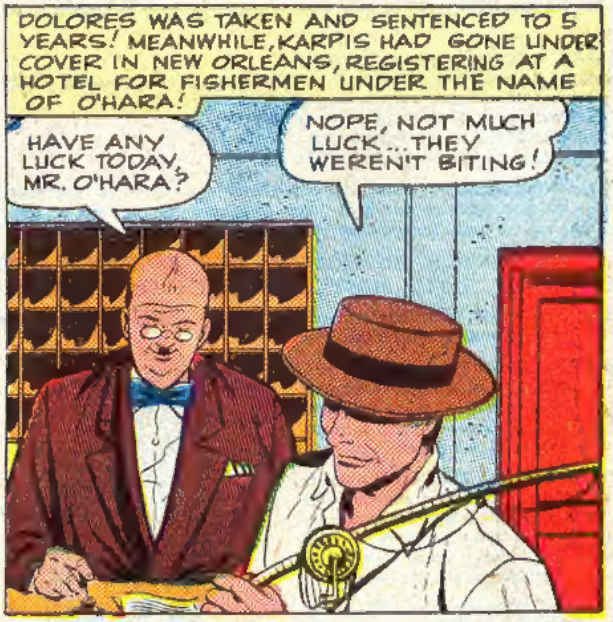
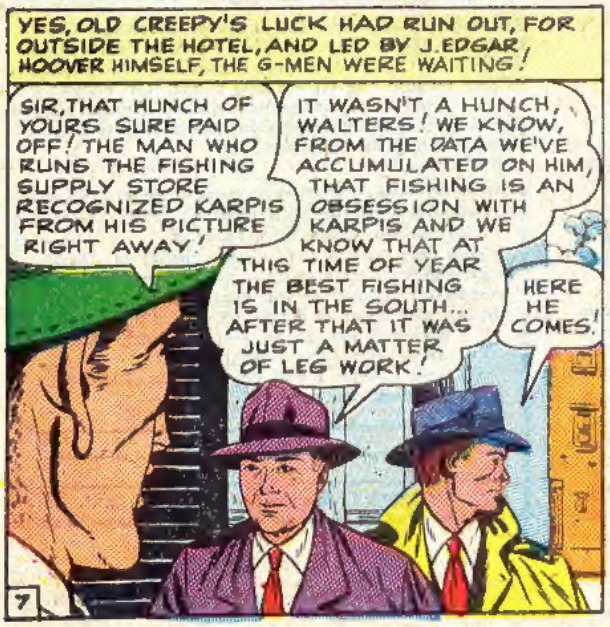
THEN BEGAN A WILD TIME OF FLIGHT! HAVANA, MIAMI, AND ALWAYS KARPIS FISHED, AND ALWAYS THE F.B.I. CLOSED IN!

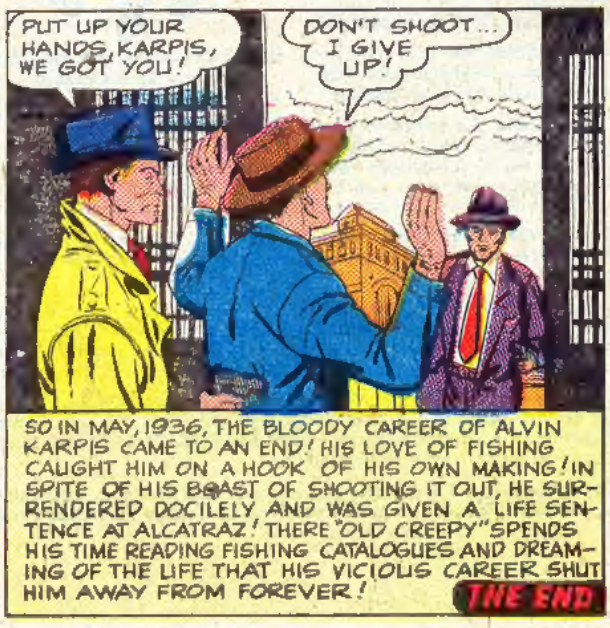
GRADUALLY TWO OBSESSIONS TOOK HOLD OF THE CRIMINAL'S MIND... TO FISH AND TO KILL FEDERAL OFFICERS!
ALVIN! COME IN FAST... THEY'RE HERE AGAIN!
THOSE DIRTY FEDERAL DICKS... ALWAYS ON TOP OF ME... GIVING ME NO PEACE... NO TIME TO FISH! I'D LIKE TO GET HOLD OF THAT HOOVER AND...!

LISTEN, HONEY, WE'LL SEPARATE! MEET ME IN ATLANTIC CITY... THE SAME HOTEL WE WERE IN THE LAST TIME!
ALL RIGHT! BE CAREFUL, HONEY!


BUT IN ATLANTIC CITY THE F.B.I. ONCE AGAIN PICKED UP THE TRAIL!
ALVIN, DON'T LEAVE ME... THEY GOT ME! ALVIN!
I GOTTA LOOK OUT FOR MYSELF... I'LL GET THE CHAIR IF THEY TAKE ME! SO LONG, BABY!


DOLORES WAS TAKEN AND SENTENCED TO 5 YEARS! MEANWHILE, KARPIS HAD GONE UNDER COVER IN NEW ORLEANS, REGISTERING AT A HOTEL FOR FISHERMEN UNDER THE NAME OF O'HARA!
HAVE ANY LUCK TODAY, MR. O'HARA?
NOPE, NOT MUCH LUCK... THEY WEREN'T BITING!


YES, OLD CREEPY'S LUCK HAD RUN OUT, FOR OUTSIDE THE HOTEL, AND LED BY J. EDGAR HOOVER HIMSELF, THE G-MEN WERE WAITING!
SIR, THAT HUNCH OF YOURS SURE PAID OFF! THE MAN WHO RUNS THE FISHING SUPPLY STORE RECOGNIZED KARPIS FROM HIS PICTURE RIGHT AWAY!
IT WASN'T A HUNCH, WALTERS! WE KNOW, FROM THE DATA WE'VE ACCUMULATED ON HIM, THAT FISHING IS AN OBSESSION WITH KARPIS AND WE KNOW THAT AT THIS TIME OF YEAR THE BEST FISHING IS IN THE SOUTH... AFTER THAT IT WAS JUST A MATTER OF LEG WORK!
HERE HE COMES!


PUT UP YOUR HANDS, KARPIS, WE GOT YOU!
DON'T SHOOT... I GIVE UP!
SO IN MAY, 1936, THE BLOODY CAREER OF ALVIN KARPIS CAME TO AN END! HIS LOVE OF FISHING CAUGHT HIM ON A HOOK OF HIS OWN MAKING! IN SPITE OF HIS BOAST OF SHOOTING IT OUT, HE SURRENDERED DOCILELY AND WAS GIVEN A LIFE SENTENCE AT ALCATRAZ! THERE "OLD CREEPY" SPENDS HIS TIME READING FISHING CATALOGUES AND DREAMING OF THE LIFE THAT HIS VICIOUS CAREER SHUT HIM AWAY FROM FOREVER!
THE END

***WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT***

# HAIR LOSS

## *ITCHY SCALP, DANDRUFF, HEAD SCALES, SEBORRHEA, EXCESSIVE FALLING HAIR*

The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or *alopecia,* as it is known in medical terms:

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

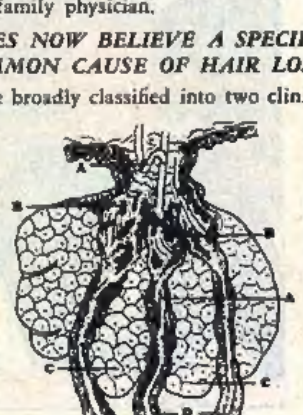
Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

***BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.***

This disease is called Seborrhea and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms:

1. ***DRY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itchiness. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of this disease.

2. ***OILY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of head scales. Scalp is usually itchy. Hair loss is severe with baldness as the end result.




**DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES**
***Caused By Seborrhea***
A — Dead hairs; B — Hair-destroying bacteria; C — Hypertrophied sebaceous glands; D — Atrophic follicles.

Many doctors agree that to NEGLECT these symptoms of DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA is to INVITE BALDNESS.

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms — staphylococcus albus, pityrosporum ovale, and acnes bacillus.

These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

A post-war development, Comate Medicinal Formula kills these three germ organisms on contact. Proof of Comate's germ-killing properties has been demonstrated in laboratory tests recently conducted by one of the leading testing laboratories in America. (Complete report on file and copies are available on request.)

When used as directed, Comate Medicinal Formula controls seborrhea—stimulates the flow of blood to the scalp—helps stop scalp itch and burn—improves the appearance of your hair and scalp—helps STOP HAIR LOSS due to seborrhea. Your hair looks more attractive and alive.

You may safely follow the example of thousands who first were skeptical, then curious, and finally decided to avail themselves of Comate Medicinal Formula.

**A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula**

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"Your hair formula got rid of my dandruff; my head does not itch any more. I think it is the best of all of the formulas I have used."—E.E., Hamilton, Ohio.

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"I do want to say that just within five days I have obtained a great improvement in my hair. I do want to thank you and the Comate Laboratories for producing such a wonderful and amazing formula."—M.M., Johnstown, Pa.

"I have found almost instant relief. My itching has stopped with one application."—J.N., Stockton, Calif.

"My hair looks thicker, not falling out like it used to. Will not be without Comate in the house."—R.W., Lonsdale, R. I.

"I haven't had any trouble with dandruff since I started using Comate."—L.W.W., Galveston, Tex.

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# HAMMER HORROR

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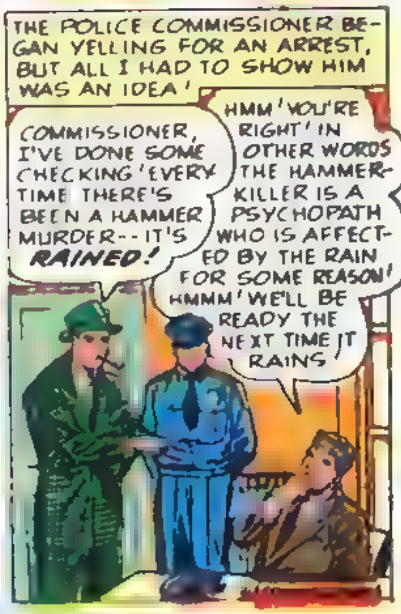
WHAM!

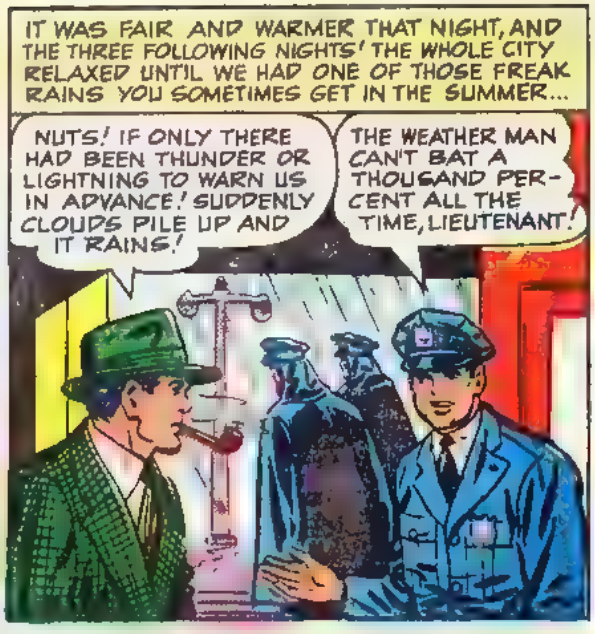
THUNDER WAS GROWLING AND RAIN LASHED LIKE WHIPS THE NIGHT I EXAMINED THE FIRST VICTIM!
TELL THE LIEUTENANT WHAT YOU SAW MISTER!
THERE WAS A BIG FLASH OF LIGHTNING AND I SAW THE BACK OF THE KILLER AS HE RAN AWAY! HE WAS A BIG MAN, AND HE WAS CARRYING A HAMMER!

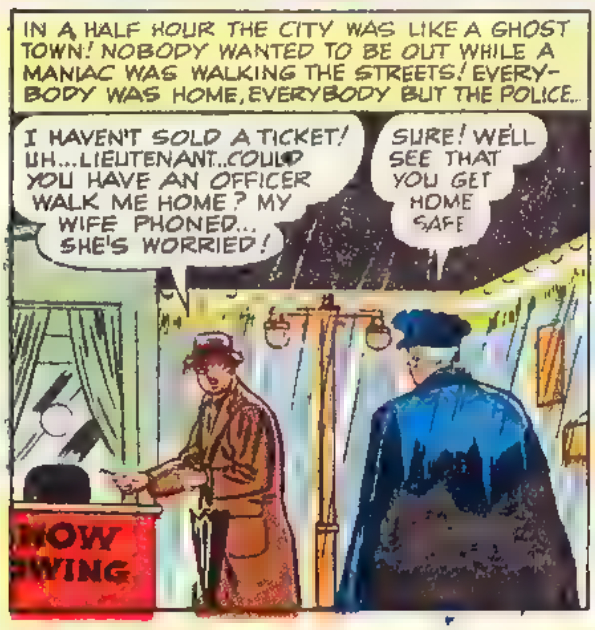
THAT WAS THE FIRST ONE--BUT THREE NIGHTS LATER IT HAPPENED AGAIN AND A FEW NIGHTS LATER IT HAPPENED A THIRD TIME! SOMEBODY WITH A HAMMER WAS RUNNING WILD!
HAMMER KILLER STRIKES AGAIN
NO NO AHHH

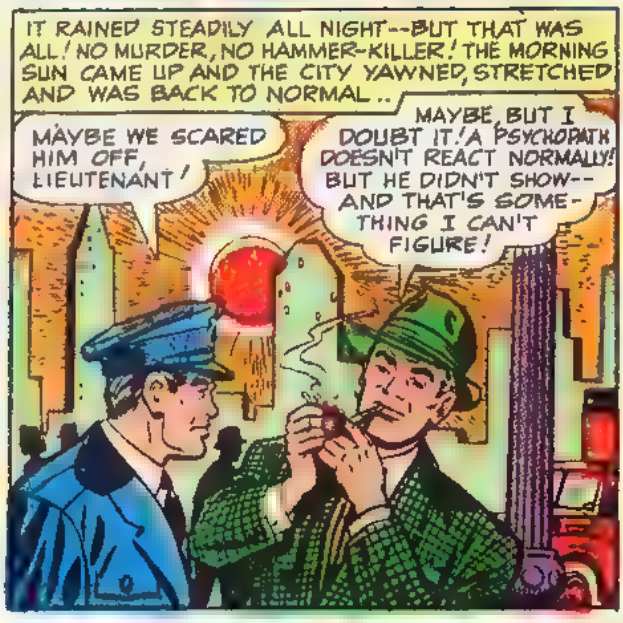

THE POLICE COMMISSIONER BEGAN YELLING FOR AN ARREST, BUT ALL I HAD TO SHOW HIM WAS AN IDEA!
COMMISSIONER, I'VE DONE SOME CHECKING! EVERY TIME THERE'S BEEN A HAMMER MURDER--IT'S RAINED!
HMM! YOU'RE RIGHT! IN OTHER WORDS THE HAMMER-KILLER IS A PSYCHOPATH WHO IS AFFECTED BY THE RAIN FOR SOME REASON! HMMM! WE'LL BE READY THE NEXT TIME IT RAINS

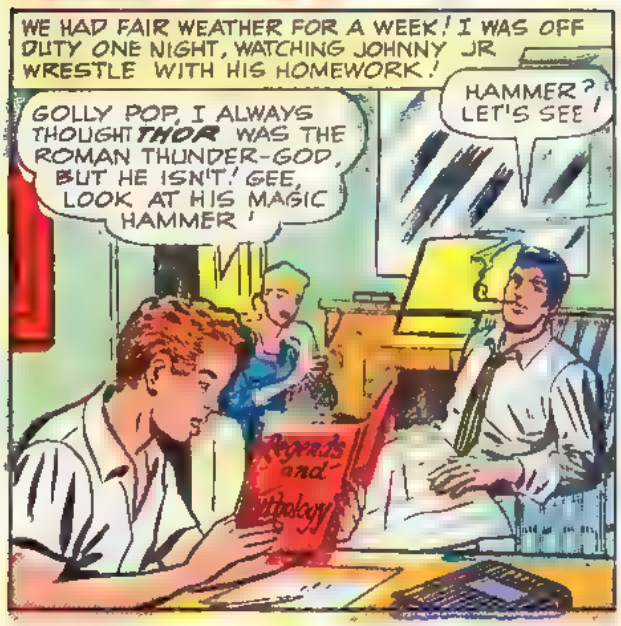
NAMES AND PLACES IN THESE TRUE-TO-LIFE STORIES ARE FICTITIOUS
ANY SIMILARITY BETWEEN ACTUAL PERSONS OR PLACES AND THOSE USED IN THESE STORIES IS PURELY COINCIDENTAL

BUT I WASN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO TUMBLED TO THAT! SOME SMART NEWSPAPER REPORTER HAMMERED OUT THE SAME IDEA ON A TYPEWRITER.
LISTEN TO THIS, ETHEL.. "WHY HAVEN'T THE POLICE REALIZED AS YET THAT THE HAMMER-KILLER HAS CLAIMED HIS VICTIMS ONLY WHEN IT RAINS!"
OH MY! WHAT'S THE WEATHER REPORT FOR TONIGHT, MARVIN?
DAILY STAR
BUS STOP


IT WAS FAIR AND WARMER THAT NIGHT, AND THE THREE FOLLOWING NIGHTS! THE WHOLE CITY RELAXED UNTIL WE HAD ONE OF THOSE FREAK RAINS YOU SOMETIMES GET IN THE SUMMER...
NUTS! IF ONLY THERE HAD BEEN THUNDER OR LIGHTNING TO WARN US IN ADVANCE! SUDDENLY CLOUDS PILE UP AND IT RAINS!
THE WEATHER MAN CAN'T BAT A THOUSAND PER-CENT ALL THE TIME, LIEUTENANT!


IN A HALF HOUR THE CITY WAS LIKE A GHOST TOWN! NOBODY WANTED TO BE OUT WHILE A MANIAC WAS WALKING THE STREETS! EVERY-BODY WAS HOME, EVERYBODY BUT THE POLICE..
I HAVEN'T SOLD A TICKET! UH...LIEUTENANT..COULD YOU HAVE AN OFFICER WALK ME HOME? MY WIFE PHONED... SHE'S WORRIED!
SURE! WE'LL SEE THAT YOU GET HOME SAFE
NOW SWING


IT RAINED STEADILY ALL NIGHT--BUT THAT WAS ALL! NO MURDER, NO HAMMER-KILLER! THE MORNING SUN CAME UP AND THE CITY YAWNED, STRETCHED AND WAS BACK TO NORMAL..
MAYBE WE SCARED HIM OFF, LIEUTENANT!
MAYBE, BUT I DOUBT IT! A PSYCHOPATH DOESN'T REACT NORMALLY! BUT HE DIDN'T SHOW-- AND THAT'S SOME-THING I CAN'T FIGURE!


WE HAD FAIR WEATHER FOR A WEEK! I WAS OFF DUTY ONE NIGHT, WATCHING JOHNNY JR WRESTLE WITH HIS HOMEWORK!
GOLLY POP, I ALWAYS THOUGHT THOR WAS THE ROMAN THUNDER-GOD, BUT HE ISN'T! GEE, LOOK AT HIS MAGIC HAMMER!
HAMMER? LET'S SEE!
Legends and Mythology

THOR the THUNDER-GOD
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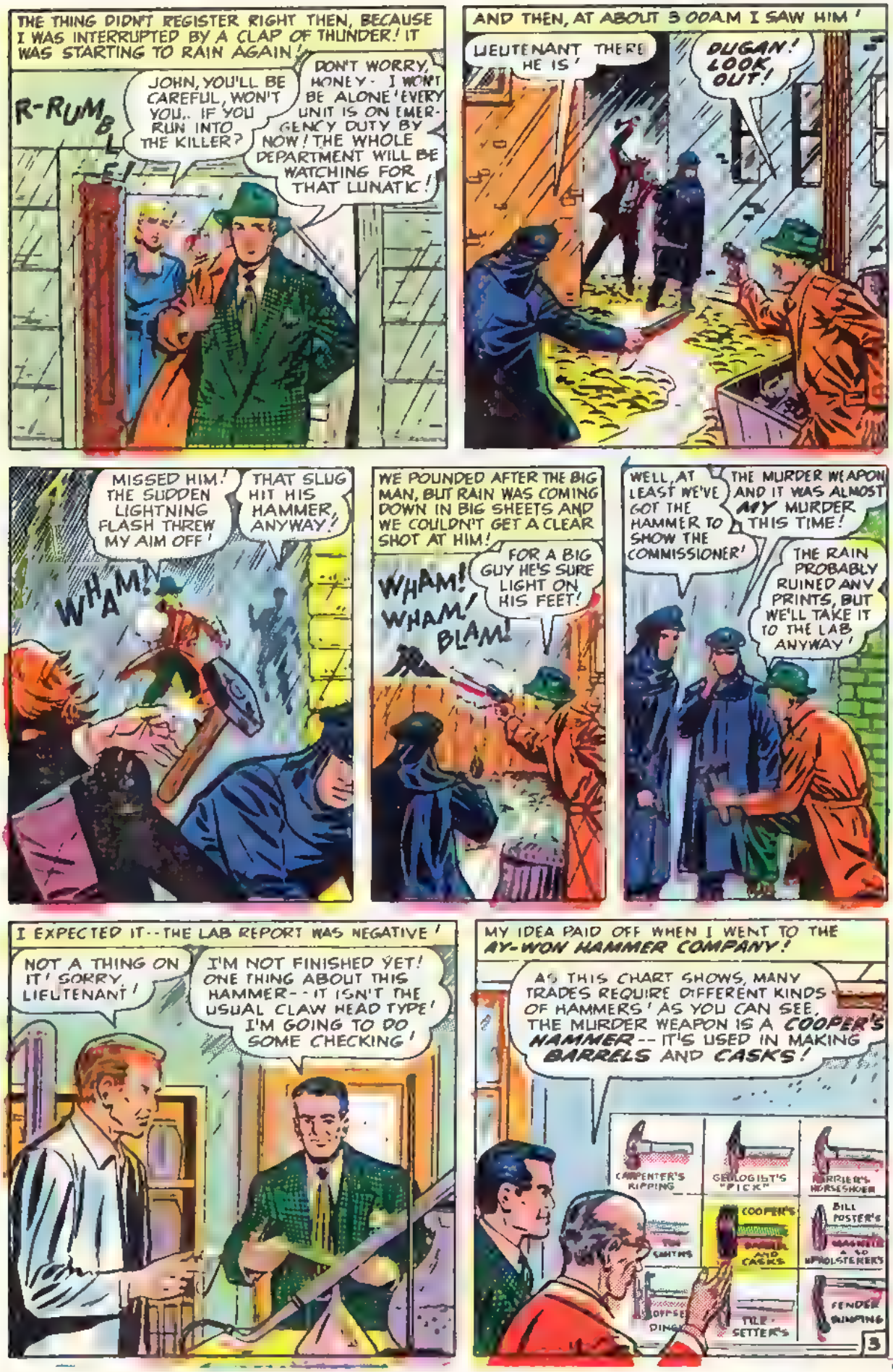
THE THING DIDN'T REGISTER RIGHT THEN, BECAUSE I WAS INTERRUPTED BY A CLAP OF THUNDER! IT WAS STARTING TO RAIN AGAIN!
R-RUMBLE!
JOHN, YOU'LL BE CAREFUL, WON'T YOU.. IF YOU RUN INTO THE KILLER?
DON'T WORRY, HONEY - I WON'T BE ALONE! EVERY UNIT IS ON EMERGENCY DUTY BY NOW! THE WHOLE DEPARTMENT WILL BE WATCHING FOR THAT LUNATIC!
AND THEN, AT ABOUT 3 00A.M I SAW HIM!
LIEUTENANT THERE HE IS!
DUGAN! LOOK OUT!
MISSED HIM! THE SUDDEN LIGHTNING FLASH THREW MY AIM OFF!
THAT SLUG HIT HIS HAMMER, ANYWAY!
WHAM!
WE POUNDED AFTER THE BIG MAN, BUT RAIN WAS COMING DOWN IN BIG SHEETS AND WE COULDN'T GET A CLEAR SHOT AT HIM!
FOR A BIG GUY HE'S SURE LIGHT ON HIS FEET!
WHAM! WHAM! BLAM!
WELL, AT LEAST WE'VE GOT THE HAMMER TO SHOW THE COMMISSIONER!
THE MURDER WEAPON AND IT WAS ALMOST ANY MURDER THIS TIME!
THE RAIN PROBABLY RUINED ANY PRINTS, BUT WE'LL TAKE IT TO THE LAB ANYWAY!
I EXPECTED IT--THE LAB REPORT WAS NEGATIVE!
NOT A THING ON IT! SORRY, LIEUTENANT!
I'M NOT FINISHED YET! ONE THING ABOUT THIS HAMMER--IT ISN'T THE USUAL CLAW HEAD TYPE! I'M GOING TO DO SOME CHECKING!
MY IDEA PAID OFF WHEN I WENT TO THE AY-WON HAMMER COMPANY!
AS THIS CHART SHOWS, MANY TRADES REQUIRE DIFFERENT KINDS OF HAMMERS! AS YOU CAN SEE, THE MURDER WEAPON IS A COOPER'S HAMMER--IT'S USED IN MAKING BARRELS AND CASKS!
CARPENTER'S RIPPING
GEOLOGIST'S "PICK"
FARRIER'S HORSESHOER
TIN SMITH'S
COOPER'S BARREL AND CASKS
BILL POSTER'S
UPHOLSTERER'S
TILE-SETTER'S
FENDER BUMPING
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NEXT MORNING I WAS AT THE ESTEE BARREL AND CASK WORKS, CHECKING THE NAMES OF EMPLOYEES AGAINST THE NAMES OF INMATES RELEASED FROM THE STATE INSANE ASYLUM
SOMETIMES THEY RELEASE A MAN THEY THINK IS CURED, BUT THERE'S ALWAYS THE CHANCE THE MAN MIGHT GET ANOTHER BREAKDOWN!
I SEE!
SUDDENLY I SPOTTED A NAME THAT REGISTERED! THORSON! THEN I REMEMBERED--MY KID'S HOMEWORK LESSON! THOR--THE THUNDED-GOD AND HIS HAMMER... AND HERE WAS A GUY NAMED THORSON!
THE NIGHT THE HAMMER-KILLER DIDN'T SHOW--IT WAS RAINING--BUT THERE WAS NO THUNDER AND LIGHTNING--BUT ON THE RAINY NIGHTS HE DID SHOW, THERE WAS THUNDER AND LIGHTNING!
I WANTED A LOOK AT THORSON, AND WHEN I SAW HIM A CHILL TOUCHED MY SPINE.
GREAT SCOTT! HE-HE LOOKS AS IF HE JUST WALKED OUT OF JOHNNY'S BOOK! THOR--THE THUNDER-GOD!
THEN I WAS AWARE OF THE NOISE IN THE PLACE! DEAFENING! EVERY TIME A HAMMER CAME DOWN ON A HOLLOW BARREL, IT SOUNDED LIKE THUNDER!
BOOM! RUMBLE!
BOOM BOOM!
NOISE LIKE THIS COULD DRIVE A MAN CRAZY IN TIME --AND MAYBE IT ALREADY HAS!
I HAD NO PROOF, BUT I HAD THORSON TAILED WHEREVER HE WENT! THEN ONE AFTERNOON, HEAT LIGHTNING CRACKLED IN THE SUMMER SKY--THIS WAS WHAT I WAS WAITING FOR!
RR-R RUMBLE!
I JUST CALLED THE WEATHER BUREAU! THEY SAID IT'S GOING TO RAIN TONIGHT--AND THUNDER! NOW, I WANT YOU TO ORDER YOUR MEN TO WORK OVERTIME--I WANT THEM TO WORK LATE TONIGHT WHEN THAT STORM HITS!
I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT NIGHT AS I WATCHED THORSON FROM THE FOREMAN'S BOOTH! THE WIND HOWLED LIKE A WITCH, AND EVERY-TIME THE THUNDER CRASHED THORSON WOULD LISTEN, HIS EYES GETTING WILDER AND WILDER
RRR-RUMBLE! BOOM!
THEN IT HAPPENED! WITH A GREAT YELL THORSON LIFTED HIS HAMMER AND STARTED ACROSS THE FLOOR...
OUT OF MY WAY, MORTAL! MY FATHER CALLS ME! I AM THOR--SON OF THE THUNDER-GOD!
THORSON! STOP! STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!
OFFICE
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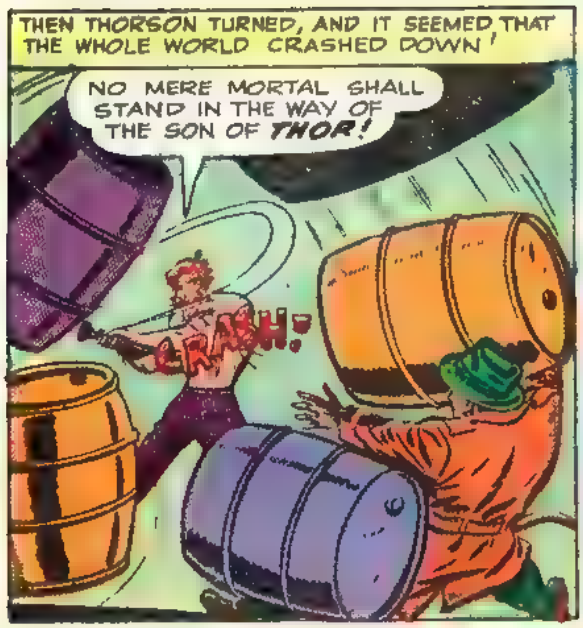
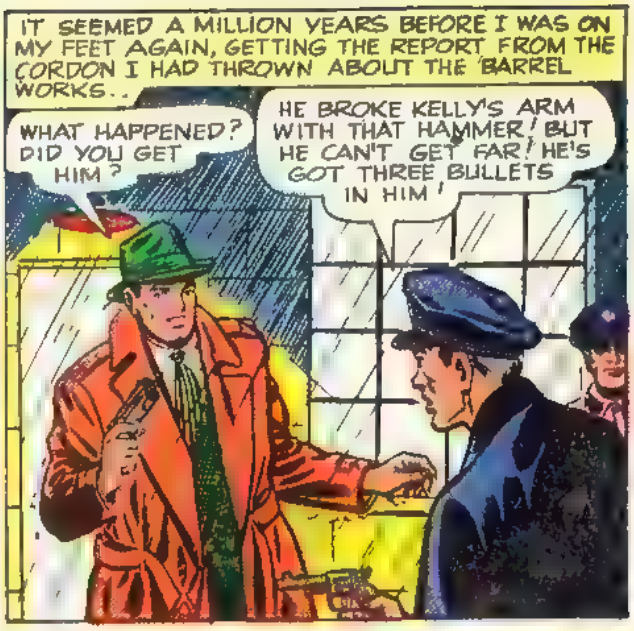
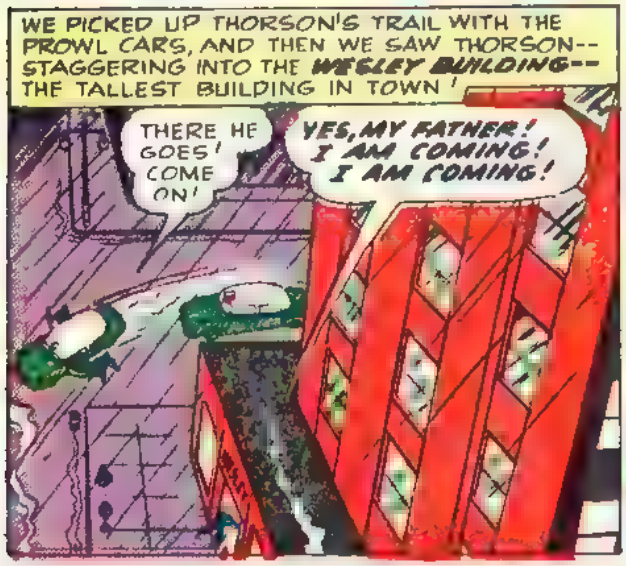
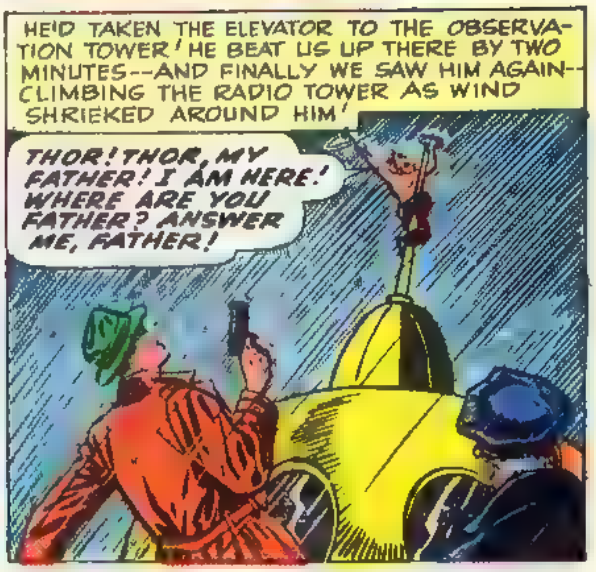
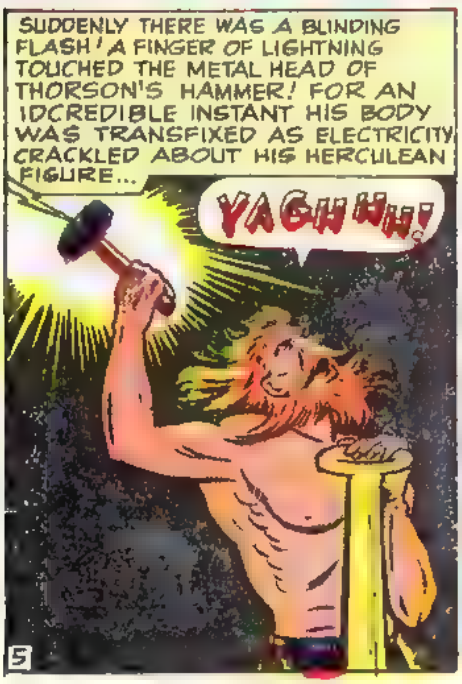

THEN THORSON TURNED, AND IT SEEMED THAT THE WHOLE WORLD CRASHED DOWN!
NO MERE MORTAL SHALL STAND IN THE WAY OF THE SON OF THOR!
CRASH!


IT SEEMED A MILLION YEARS BEFORE I WAS ON MY FEET AGAIN, GETTING THE REPORT FROM THE CORDON I HAD THROWN ABOUT THE BARREL WORKS..
WHAT HAPPENED? DID YOU GET HIM?
HE BROKE KELLY'S ARM WITH THAT HAMMER! BUT HE CAN'T GET FAR! HE'S GOT THREE BULLETS IN HIM!


WE PICKED UP THORSON'S TRAIL WITH THE PROWL CARS, AND THEN WE SAW THORSON--STAGGERING INTO THE WESLEY BUILDING--THE TALLEST BUILDING IN TOWN!
THERE HE GOES! COME ON!
YES, MY FATHER! I AM COMING! I AM COMING!


HE'D TAKEN THE ELEVATOR TO THE OBSERVATION TOWER! HE BEAT US UP THERE BY TWO MINUTES--AND FINALLY WE SAW HIM AGAIN--CLIMBING THE RADIO TOWER AS WIND SHRIEKED AROUND HIM!
THOR! THOR, MY FATHER! I AM HERE! WHERE ARE YOU FATHER? ANSWER ME, FATHER!


SUDDENLY THERE WAS A BLINDING FLASH! A FINGER OF LIGHTNING TOUCHED THE METAL HEAD OF THORSON'S HAMMER! FOR AN INCREDIBLE INSTANT HIS BODY WAS TRANSFIXED AS ELECTRICITY CRACKLED ABOUT HIS HERCULEAN FIGURE...
YAGHHH!
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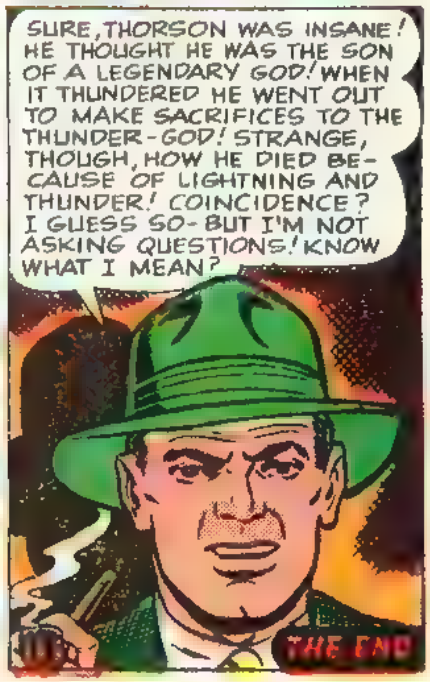
AND THEN HE FELL!


SURE, THORSON WAS INSANE! HE THOUGHT HE WAS THE SON OF A LEGENDARY GOD! WHEN IT THUNDERED HE WENT OUT TO MAKE SACRIFICES TO THE THUNDER-GOD! STRANGE, THOUGH, HOW HE DIED BECAUSE OF LIGHTNING AND THUNDER! COINCIDENCE? I GUESS SO-BUT I'M NOT ASKING QUESTIONS! KNOW WHAT I MEAN?
THE END

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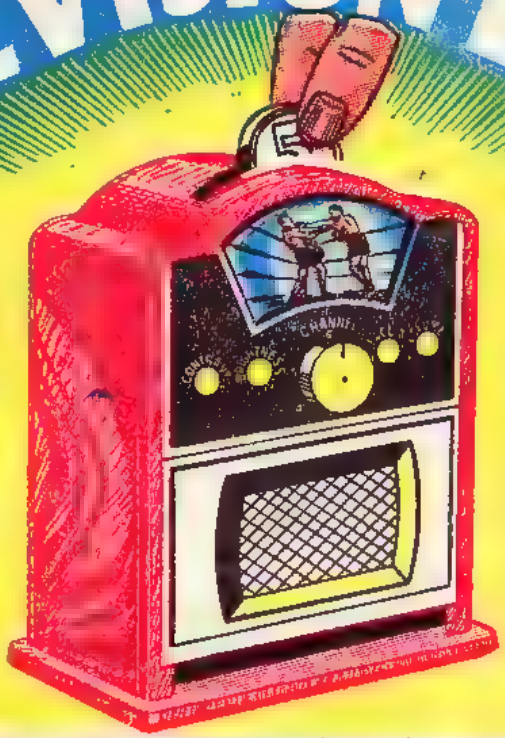

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# DECOY FOR THE HOT SEAT

CURT GORDON followed the warden silently down the narrow corridor of the St. August prison. He stared ahead of him, showing no awareness of the inquisitive eyes in each cell that he passed. His mind was on a story—the biggest story of the year—about his best friend and the man he had always hated . . .

"Right in here, Gordon." The warden stopped in front of one of the cell doors. "I'll give you twenty minutes to write your story. The prisoner hasn't much more time, you know."

"Thanks, warden, I appreciate this," Curt said as the warden unlocked the cell.

"Don't thank me. If Kirby and the higher-ups hadn't given their O. K., you'd still be sitting in my office. My idea is that a man who is going to get the hot seat in a little while should be left alone with his own thoughts—not with a meddlesome writer who is looking for a scoop for his magazine!"

After the warden ushered him inside and relocked the door, Curt stood awkwardly for a moment before he turned to face Jake Kirby. There was no need for introductions, no need for a "hello" or "how's everything going". Jake and Curt had grown up together and had been inseparable companions all of their lives. They knew each other better than they knew themselves.

Beside the cot where Jake lay, there were a table and a chair. Curt took the typewriter he had been carrying and placed it on the table. His movements were jerky and unsure, but he managed to put a piece of paper in the roller and seat himself on the chair before he finally looked at Jake, whose eyes seemed already drained of life.

"Have a cigarette," Curt said, leaning toward him. "Looks like you've given up hope."

"It's more like Lady Hope giving me up, Curt," Kirby said with a faint smile. "I guess this is the last stop on the line for me."

"I appreciate your giving me the story, Jake. It's what I need to put me in solid with the boss."

"Forget it. It'll make good reading," Jake said. "A last minute talk with Jake Kirby—the man who murdered an old man too feeble to defend himself—ought to be worth a Pulitzer nomination!"

Kirby got up from the cot and walked over to the window. He stared out for a few minutes and then turned to Curt again. "Remember the fun we used to have when it snowed?" he asked. "I keep thinking of the old Carter farm where we used to play when we were kids. I guess I keep hoping that a miracle will happen, and I'll be a kid again with nothing on my mind but playing in the snow."

"Sure I remember. How could I forget? And I remember when you pulled me out of the ice hole and saved my life," Curt said softly. "You've always been on the spot when I needed you, Jake. I don't know what I'm going to do now that . . ."

Curt didn't finish the sentence . . . he didn't have to. The atmosphere was heavy with the fact . . . this was the Death House and JAKE WAS GOING TO DIE, and no one could raise a hand to stop it.

Jake moistened his lips and sat down on the cot once again. He looked up at Curt, studied his face for a moment and then cleared his throat. "It's all like a dream," he said, "a horrible dream." Then Jake threw himself face down on the cot.

"If you'd rather not talk, Jake, I'd understand," Curt said, half rising, wishing vaguely that he could be somewhere else, even someone else. He pulled at the collar of his shirt and loosened his tie.

"Don't leave, Curt," Jake said with a touch of terror in his voice, "don't leave me alone now. I'll give you a story you can print—a good one!"

Jake began to relax as he stretched himself out on the cot. He turned his head toward Curt and said, "I don't know what you think about me, Curt, but you must believe that I'm innocent. I didn't kill Yaeger. The evidence was stacked against me, but it means nothing—nothing at all. Why would I have stayed at the apartment if I had killed him? Why wouldn't I have run as fast and as far as I could?"

Curt wiped the perspiration from his forehead as Jake spoke and slowly he began to type. "My Best Friend Was a Murderer," he typed. Then the story, the same story he had heard from Jake the night that Yaeger had been killed and robbed, the same story he had listened to in the crowded,

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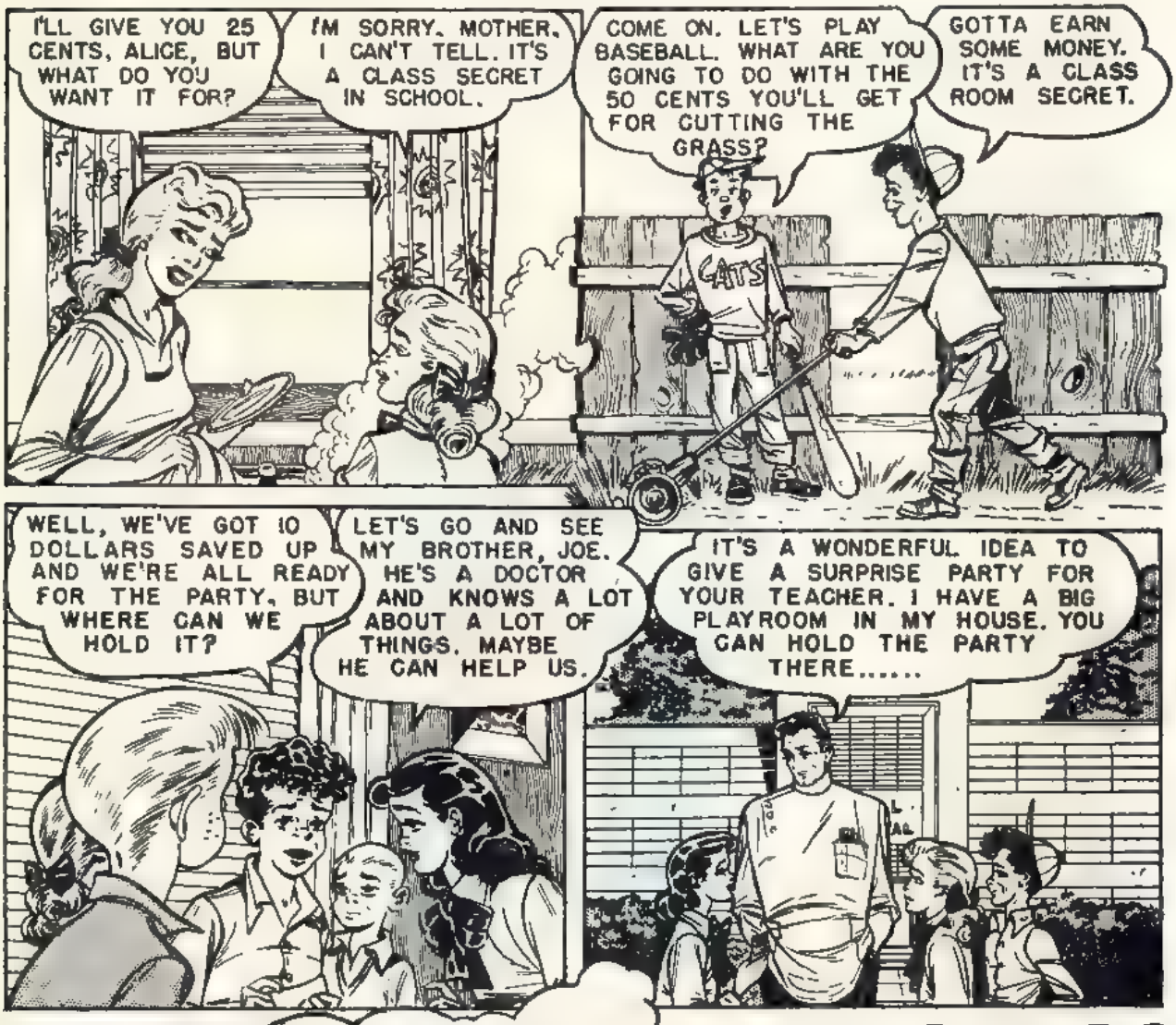
# the classroom secret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I'M GLAD YOU CHILDREN CAN SEE HOW IMPORTANT TEACHERS ARE. WHEN I WAS YOUNGER MY TEACHER HELPED ME TO BE A DOCTOR. IF IT WEREN'T FOR TEACHERS, NONE OF US WOULD GET AHEAD IN THE WORLD OR LEARN ANYTHING.
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sweaty courtroom when Jake was convicted.

Jake's gun had killed Yaeger, and fifty thousand dollars, the amount stolen had been found in Jake's room, but Jake held to the story that he was nowhere near the scene of the crime.

No one grieved over Yaeger. He'd been a corrupt old man with a political finger in every pie in the city. He'd reigned over his kingdom with an iron hand, and anyone who tried to crush that hand was soon crushed himself.

"Curt, it's hopeless, isn't it?" Jake said. "I haven't much time left."

Curt pushed his chair back from the typewriter and stared out of the window. "Jake, you've been convicted. Tried and convicted . . ."

"I feel sick inside, Curt. Why can't they understand that I couldn't kill anybody . . . I couldn't!" His face was distorted with fear and pain, and his voice rose. *"I'm innocent!"*

Curt wiped his forehead with his handkerchief and stood up. He paced up and down the room listening to Jake's rising hysteria. It was too much for him.

"Get hold of yourself, Jake!" he exploded. "I've done all I could do. I've seen everyone who could pull a string, but the facts remain that you were standing over the body with *your* gun in *your* hand with one bullet missing. That's strong evidence, Jake — it was strong enough to convince the jury!"

"You're right, Curt," Jake admitted, sitting up on the cot. "I'm sunk, I guess."

"Not that I could blame anyone who killed Yaeger. He's tried to blackball me ever since I came to this city . . . I hated him as much as anyone else did!"

Curt's eyes shone brightly as he talked and his steps quickened. He was feeling the weight of the heavy atmosphere and the passing of time before Jake would be led out of the cell and down the long corridor that lead to his destiny.

"I can't understand," Jake said. "I can't understand why I must die if I'm innocent. Why is the innocent bystander always hurt?"

"The way of the world, I guess," Curt said.

"It's not the way of the world in my case . . . it's the way of *one* man. One man is walking around free with his hands clean while I sit in this cell and count the minutes before I die!"

Jake stood up and faced Curt. He took his hand and held it for a moment and looked in his eyes. Both men were near tears but neither one spoke.

When footsteps were heard outside of Jake's cell, Jake's anguished voice rose again. "Don't let them take me, Curt. Tell them I didn't do it!"

Curt opened his mouth to say something but the words died in his throat.

"I don't want to die, Curt! I didn't do it, did I?" he screamed as the warden stepped inside of the cell.

"No," said Curt. "You didn't do it . . ." His face was ashen white and a muscle in his jaw twitched. ". . . I did."

There was a short silence and then Jake said, "I knew."

Curt turned toward the warden. "I killed Yaeger with Jake's gun that I had taken from his room. The stolen money was to give Jake a motive for killing him since everyone knew that Jake needed money. I guess I was nuts to try to pull such a stunt on Jake, but I had no idea he'd come to see Yaeger that night. I thought he'd have a pat alibi!"

"We were hoping that you'd break down, Gordon," said the warden. "It was a big chance to take."

"You mean that all of this has been an act?" Curt's voice quavered on a note of hysteria.

"If you hadn't confessed, there would have been another trial," Jake answered him quietly. "This was Dr. Kurtz's idea."

"How did my doctor get mixed up in this?"

"Kurtz called us to tell us about a patient who had been taking shock treatments. The patient was you. He said you are a sick man who has had only one thought in the past six months—to kill a man by the name of Yaeger. From there we followed hunches."

Curt nodded. He bent down and methodically took the paper out of the typewriter and put the typewriter back into its case.

"Well . . ." he began, "so much for my story. It would have been a great story, Jake—MY BEST FRIEND WAS A MURDERER." He laughed. "Perhaps I'll speak to my editor about you, Jake. That would be a joke, wouldn't it? Maybe he'll commission *you* to write it!"

His laugh rose to a shriek as the warden led him away. Jake stood motionless, listening to the sound echo, reverberating in the corridors of the death house as Curt's footsteps receded.

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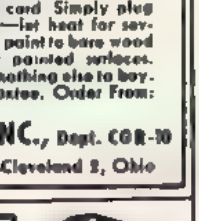

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YOU DIRTY KILLER! YOU GOT THE MONEY... WHAT ELSE DO YOU WANT?
BANG! BANG! BANG!
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TRU
ONE OF THE MOST BRUTAL AND VIOLENT CRIMES IN THE HISTORY OF OHIO TOOK PLACE IN THE EARLY MORNING HOURS OF SEPT 16, 1937, WHEN A LONE BANDIT RAIDED THE OFFICES OF THE ACE TRUCKING SERVICE NEAR COLUMBUS, OHIO! THE VICIOUS KILLER, LATER IDENTIFIED AS STUDS LARKEN, PRACTICED HIS PARTICULAR BRAND OF BUTCHERY BECAUSE HE FELT SAFE IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT
DEAD MEN TELL NO TALES!
NO WITNESSES, GRANDPA!
BANG!
A SHORT WHILE LATER, AS LARKIN MADE GOOD HIS GET-AWAY...
I'LL CUT OFF THIS HIGHWAY AND TAKE TO THE COUNTRY ROADS... JUST TO BE SURE!

FOR THE BALANCE OF THE DAY LARKIN HEADED WEST, AND WHEN NIGHT FELL, HE STOPPED TO REFUEL AT A SMALL COUNTRY STORE...
WHAT'S THE CHANCES OF GETTING SOMETHING TO EAT OUT HERE?
MIGHTY SCARCE IN RESTAURANTS IN THESE PARTS, BUT I CAN OBLIGE YOU WITH SOME COUNTRY EGGS, IF YOU LIKE!
WHY DON'T YOU GO ON IN AND MAKE YOURSELF COMFORTABLE! I'LL BE WITH YOU IN HALF A JIFFY!
THANKS!
A SHORT WHILE LATER...
THERE HAVE BEEN NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN THE DOUBLE KILLING AND HOLD-UP OF THE ACE TRUCKING CO.! THE KILLER BANDIT ESCAPED WITH OVER FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS IN BILLS OF LARGE DENOMINATIONS, BUT IT IS EXPECTED...
SURE HOPE THEY GET HIM!
THE SUDDEN INTERRUPTION OF THE NEWSFLASH BROUGHT THE NERVOUS KILLER TO HIS FEET...
TAKE WHAT I OWE YOU OUT OF THIS! I GOTTA MAKE UP TIME!
SURE, MISTER!
CLICK!
TWENTY DOLLAR BILL! MIGHT HAVE TROUBLE BREAKIN' IT! WHY DON'T YOU FINISH THE COFFEE WHILE I LOOK IN THE TILL OUT FRONT!
OKAY, BUT MAKE IT SNAPPY!
JUST AS I THOUGHT! HE'S GONE STRAIGHT TO THE PUMPS! MAYBE I'D BETTER TAKE A LOOK!
A MOMENT LATER...
ENOUGH OF THAT, HICK!
P-PLEASE, MISTER! DON'T GET ME WRONG! I ALWAYS PUT DOWN THE PLATE NUMBER ON A BIG BILL... L-LOTS A BAD MONEY FLOATIN' AROUND! I'VE BEEN STUCK BEFORE!
THEN YOU WON'T BE STUCK AGAIN!
BANG!
BANG!
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WHEN THE SLAIN STORE-KEEPERS BODY WAS FOUND BY THE POLICE THE FOLLOWING DAY, ONE FACT WAS BROUGHT TO LIGHT! THE MARKINGS ON THE BULLET CORRESPONDED TO THOSE FOUND IN THE BODIES OF THE SLAIN CLERKS... BUT IT GAVE NO CLUE TO THE KILLER'S IDENTITY! FOR THE TIME BEING, THE FACT THAT "DEAD MEN TELL NO TALES", WAS WORKING IN LARKIN'S FAVOR...

THEN ONE EVENING, ABOUT SIX MONTHS LATER, IN THE BASEMENT OF AN EMPTY STORE ADJOINING THE HAMILTON LOAN AND TRUST CO. ...

ONE MORE RETAINING WALL TO CUT THROUGH AND I'M ON THE INSIDE... IF I CAN CRACK THAT VAULT I'LL BE SITTING PRETTY FOR YEARS!

WORKING ALMOST SOUNDLESSLY, LARKIN CUT THROUGH THE REMAINING WALL AND AN HOUR LATER WAS ON THE INSIDE...

THE VAULT IS UPSTAIRS! I'D BETTER TAKE A LOOK AROUND BEFORE I DRAG THIS EQUIPMENT ALONG!

MINUTES LATER, IT WAS LARKIN'S UNUSUAL LUCK TO HAVE ARRIVED AT A MOST OPPORTUNE MOMENT...

SOMETHING TELLS ME I WON'T BE NEEDING THAT EQUIPMENT AFTER ALL!

THAT LATE SHIPMENT OF SECURITIES IS STACKED AWAY, MR. FARNSWORTH!

FINE, MITCHEL! YOU CAN CLOSE IT NOW! I'VE ALREADY SET THE TIME COMBINATION FOR MONDAY MORNING AT NINE!

KEEP IT OPEN, MITCHEL... AND DON'T REACH FOR YOUR GUN!

WHA...?

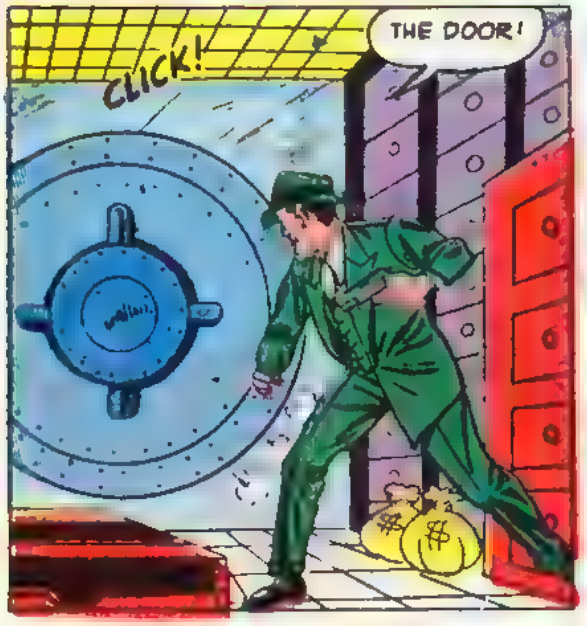
BANG!

BANG!

FOLLOWING HIS BLOODTHIRSTY PATTERN THAT A DEAD WITNESS IS THE BEST WITNESS, LARKIN PROCEEDED WITH HIS BLTCHERY
BANG! BANG!
THIS WILL KEEP YOUR TONGUE QUIET WHEN THEY FIND YOU MONDAY MORNING!

WHATTA HAUL! THERE'S A HALF MILLION AT LEAST!

THEN, AS LARKIN SCOOPED UP AN ARMFUL OF CASH ..
I'LL BE THE RICHEST .WAIT!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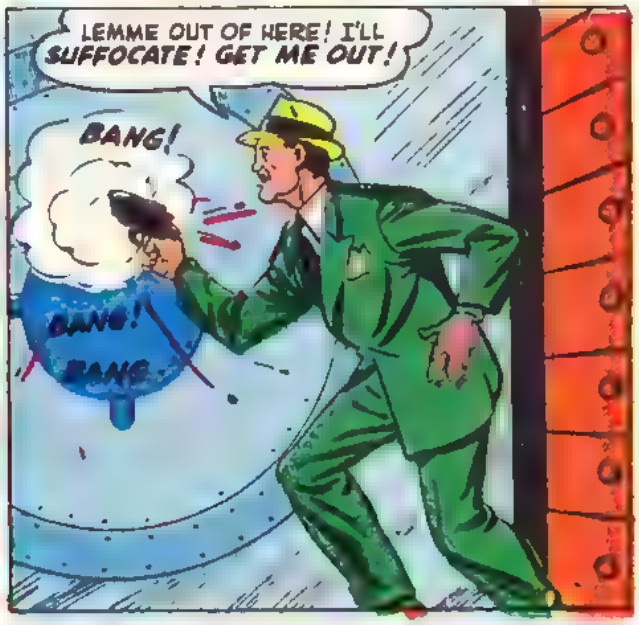
THE DOOR!


LEMME OUT OF HERE! I'LL SUFFOCATE! GET ME OUT!
BANG!
BANG!
BANG!

I'M THE ONE PERSON WHO CAN LET HIM OUT. BUT WHEN THEY FIND US . THEY'LL FIND HIM... TOO... UGH ...
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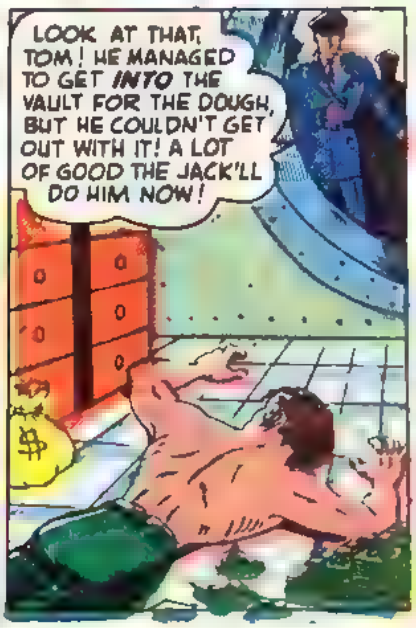
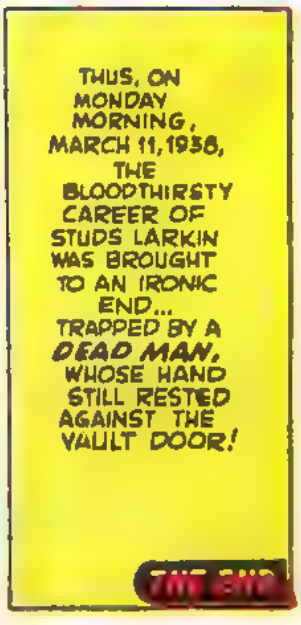

LOOK AT THAT, TOM! HE MANAGED TO GET INTO THE VAULT FOR THE DOUGH, BUT HE COULDN'T GET OUT WITH IT! A LOT OF GOOD THE JACK'LL DO HIM NOW!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THE END

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IT HAPPENED IN A SMALL EASTERN CITY LAST MAY... IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN TODAY ...IN YOUR CITY!
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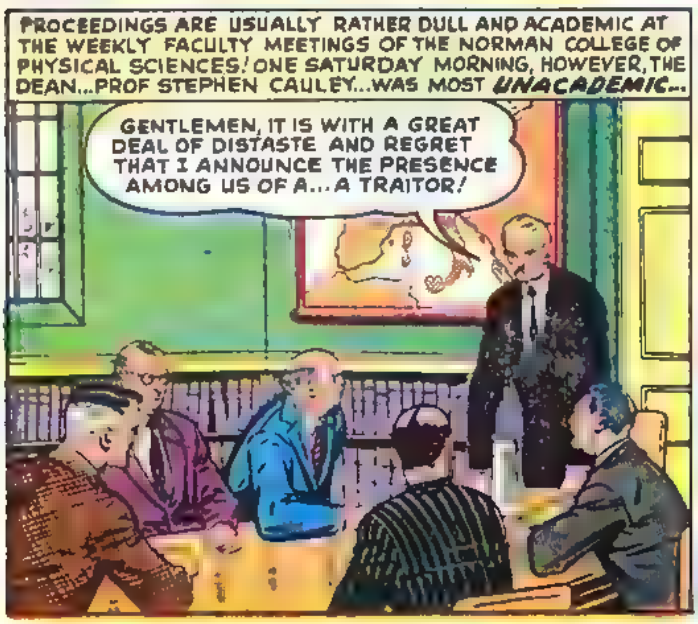
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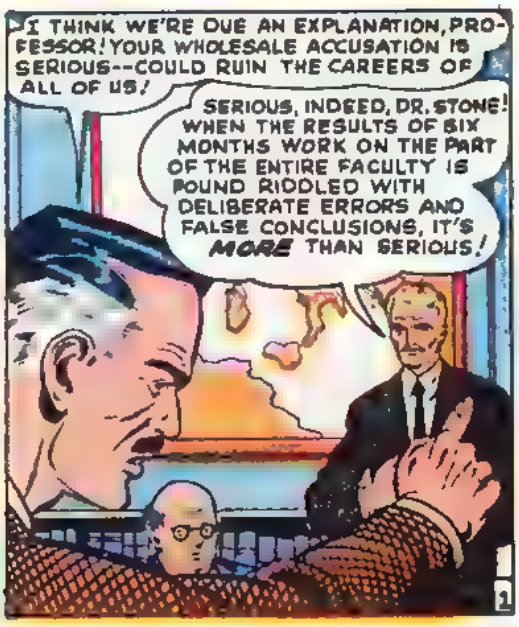
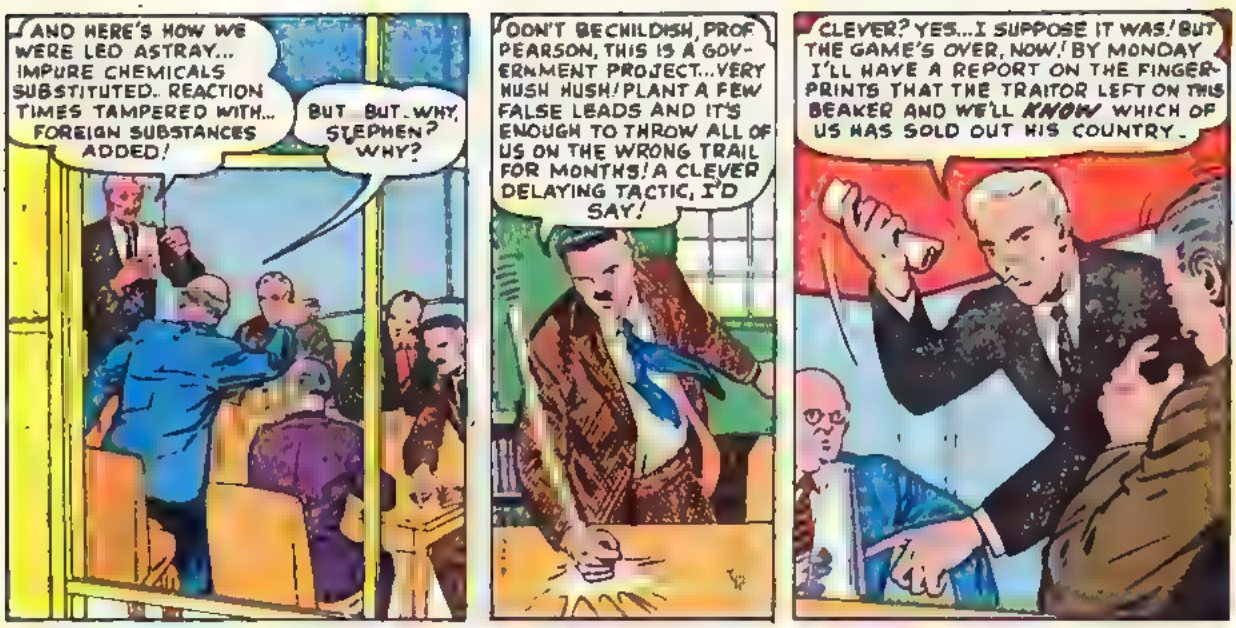
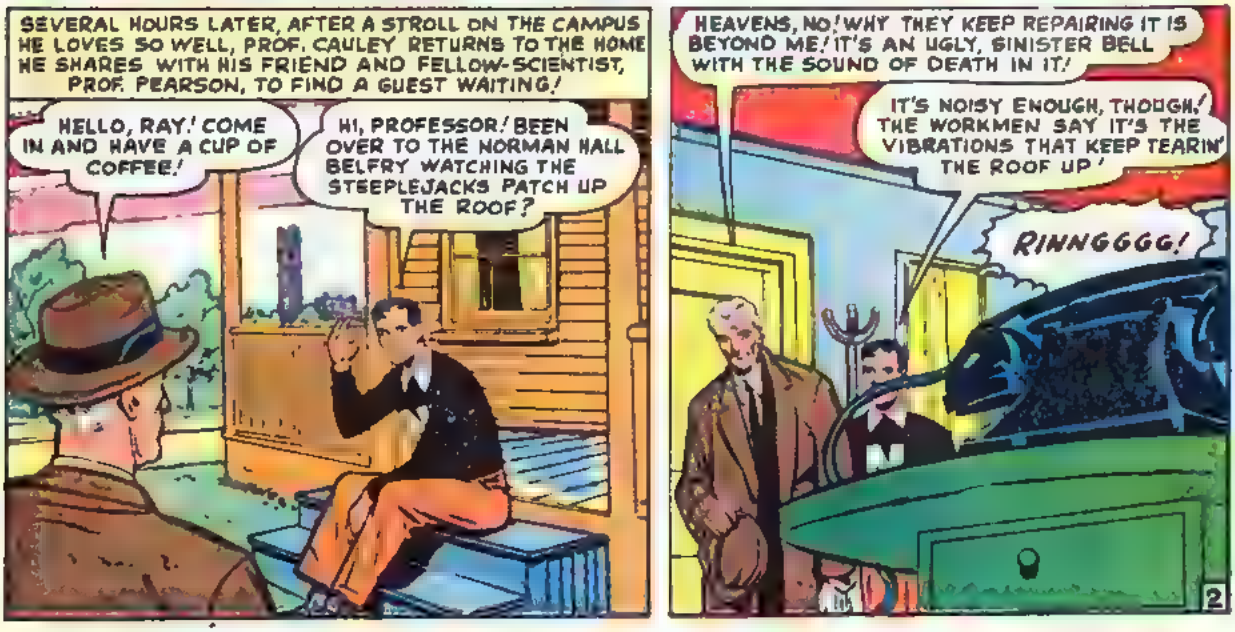
GENTLEMEN, IT IS WITH A GREAT DEAL OF DISTASTE AND REGRET THAT I ANNOUNCE THE PRESENCE AMONG US OF A... A TRAITOR!


I THINK WE'RE DUE AN EXPLANATION, PROFESSOR! YOUR WHOLESALE ACCUSATION IS SERIOUS--COULD RUIN THE CAREERS OF ALL OF US!
SERIOUS, INDEED, DR. STONE! WHEN THE RESULTS OF SIX MONTHS WORK ON THE PART OF THE ENTIRE FACULTY IS FOUND RIDDLED WITH DELIBERATE ERRORS AND FALSE CONCLUSIONS, IT'S MORE THAN SERIOUS!


AND HERE'S HOW WE WERE LED ASTRAY... IMPURE CHEMICALS SUBSTITUTED.. REACTION TIMES TAMPERED WITH... FOREIGN SUBSTANCES ADDED!
BUT BUT..WHY, STEPHEN? WHY?
DON'T BECHILDISH, PROF PEARSON, THIS IS A GOVERNMENT PROJECT...VERY HUSH HUSH! PLANT A FEW FALSE LEADS AND IT'S ENOUGH TO THROW ALL OF US ON THE WRONG TRAIL FOR MONTHS! A CLEVER DELAYING TACTIC, I'D SAY!
CLEVER? YES...I SUPPOSE IT WAS! BUT THE GAME'S OVER, NOW! BY MONDAY I'LL HAVE A REPORT ON THE FINGERPRINTS THAT THE TRAITOR LEFT ON THIS BEAKER AND WE'LL KNOW WHICH OF US HAS SOLD OUT HIS COUNTRY.

ALL BUT ONE OF YOU ARE COMPLETELY INNOCENT! FOR THAT REASON I BEG THE GUILTY PARTY TO COME TO ME WITH HIS RESIGNATION BEFORE MONDAY! IN RETURN, I PROMISE TO DO WHAT I CAN FOR HIM WITH THE F.B.I.!
ISN'T THIS A LITTLE RISKY FOR YOU, PROF. CAULEY?
WHAT DID YOU MEAN, EXACTLY, STONE... RISKY?
EVERYONE KNOWS THAT THE FINGERPRINTS MEAN NOTHING WITHOUT OTHER EVIDENCE, WHICH YOU UNDOUBTEDLY HAVE! THE GUILTY MAN WOULD GIVE.. AND DO...A LOT FOR THAT EVIDENCE!
THAT ALMOST SOUNDS LIKE A THREAT, STONE!


SEVERAL HOURS LATER, AFTER A STROLL ON THE CAMPUS HE LOVES SO WELL, PROF. CAULEY RETURNS TO THE HOME HE SHARES WITH HIS FRIEND AND FELLOW-SCIENTIST, PROF. PEARSON, TO FIND A GUEST WAITING!
HELLO, RAY! COME IN AND HAVE A CUP OF COFFEE!
HI, PROFESSOR! BEEN OVER TO THE NORMAN HALL BELFRY WATCHING THE STEEPLEJACKS PATCH UP THE ROOF?
HEAVENS, NO! WHY THEY KEEP REPAIRING IT IS BEYOND ME! IT'S AN UGLY, SINISTER BELL WITH THE SOUND OF DEATH IN IT!
IT'S NOISY ENOUGH, THOUGH! THE WORKMEN SAY IT'S THE VIBRATIONS THAT KEEP TEARIN' THE ROOF UP!
RINNGGGG!
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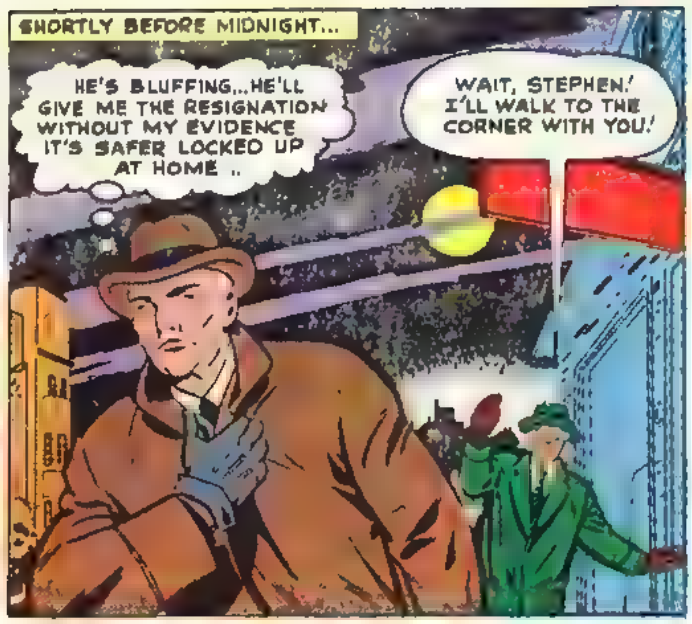
YOU WIN, PROF. CAULEY! CALL OFF YOUR F.B.I. FOR TWO DAYS AND THE RESIGNATION'S YOURS, THAT'LL GIVE ME A HEAD START BACK TO... TO WHERE I HAVE FRIENDS, COME TO THE NORMAN HALL BELFRY AT MIDNIGHT WITH ENOUGH OF YOUR EVIDENCE TO DELAY THE HUNT A COUPLE OF DAYS... WE'LL SWAP! BUT... NO TRICKS!


SHORTLY BEFORE MIDNIGHT...
HE'S BLUFFING... HE'LL GIVE ME THE RESIGNATION WITHOUT MY EVIDENCE IT'S SAFER LOCKED UP AT HOME ..
WAIT, STEPHEN! I'LL WALK TO THE CORNER WITH YOU!

LOOK! WASN'T THAT DR STONE WHO RAN AROUND THAT CORNER THEN?
TOWARD NORMAN HALL, YOU MEAN? IT CERTAINLY LOOKED LIKE HIM... AND LIKE HE DIDN'T WANT TO BE SEEN, EITHER!

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I'VE LOOKED EVERYPLACE! HE SAID NOT TO WORRY BUT I CAN'T FIND ANYONE WHO'S SEEN HIM SINCE SATURDAY NIGHT
HE SHOULD'VE TOLD YOU WHERE HE WAS GOING! GET THE FACULTY TOGETHER AT YOUR HOUSE AND I'LL GET HOLD OF THE POLICE!

IF THEY HADN'T GONE UP TO FINISH REPAIRING THE BELFRY ROOF WE MIGHT NOT HAVE FOUND HIM FOR A YEAR! HE WAS SPRAWLED OUT UNDER THE BELL, STONE DEAD, WITHOUT A SCRATCH ON HIM!
HAH! STONE-DEAD, STONE-DEAD! THERE'S YOUR ANSWER!

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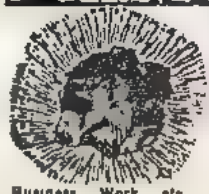

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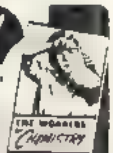

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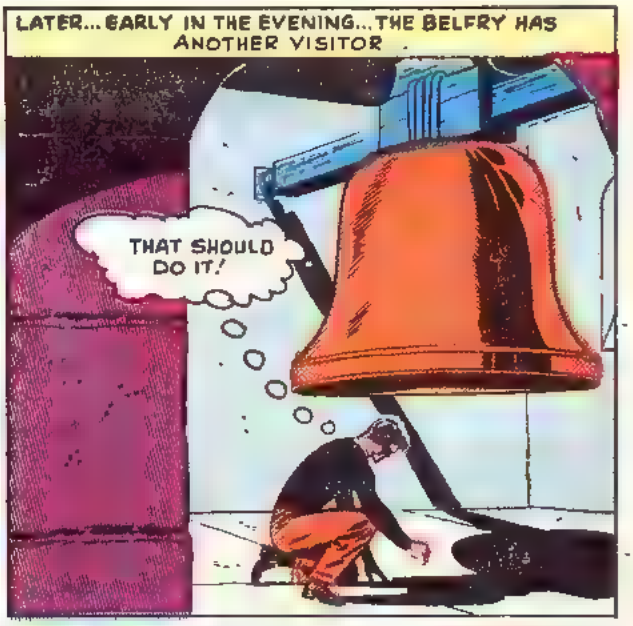
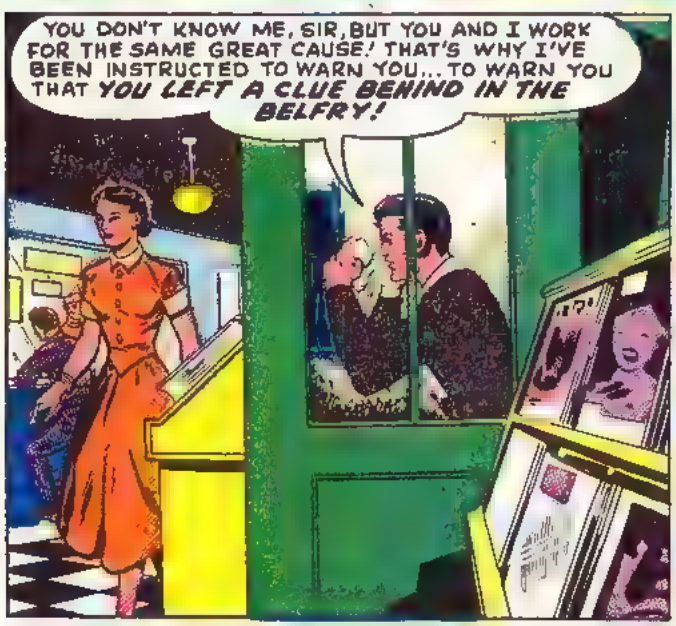
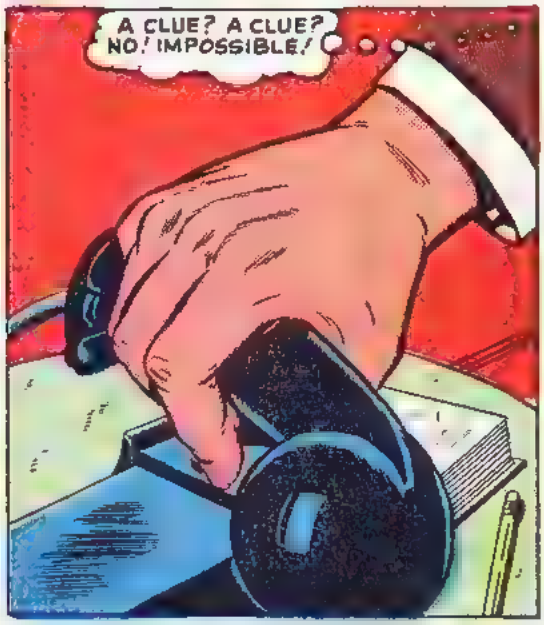
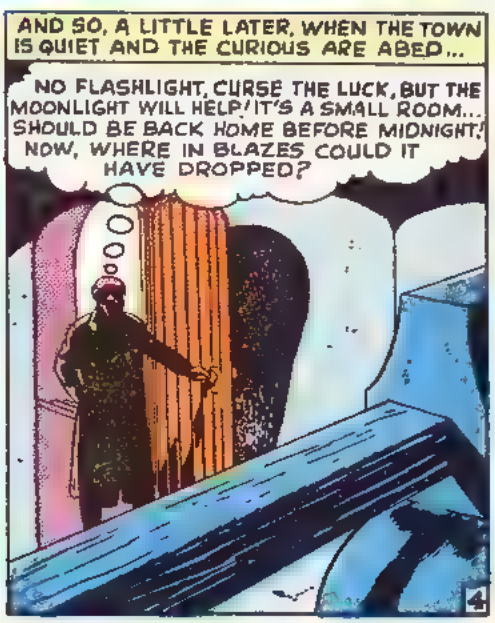

LATER... EARLY IN THE EVENING... THE BELFRY HAS ANOTHER VISITOR
THAT SHOULD DO IT!


YOU DON'T KNOW ME, SIR, BUT YOU AND I WORK FOR THE SAME GREAT CAUSE! THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN INSTRUCTED TO WARN YOU... TO WARN YOU THAT *YOU LEFT A CLUE BEHIND IN THE BELFRY!*


A CLUE? A CLUE? NO! IMPOSSIBLE!

HOW *COULD* I? STEPHEN MUST HAVE PULLED IT OFF WHEN HE FELL!

AT LEAST THE POLICE MISSED IT ON THE FIRST INSPECTION! TOMORROW WILL BE TOO LATE... I *MUST* GET THAT BUTTON TONIGHT!


AND SO, A LITTLE LATER, WHEN THE TOWN IS QUIET AND THE CURIOUS ARE ABED...
NO FLASHLIGHT, CURSE THE LUCK, BUT THE MOONLIGHT WILL HELP! IT'S A SMALL ROOM... SHOULD BE BACK HOME BEFORE MIDNIGHT! NOW, WHERE IN BLAZES COULD IT HAVE DROPPED?
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I DIDN'T REALLY THINK YOU'D FALL FOR IT, PROF PEARSON! OH, THE BUTTON? DON'T BOTHER WITH IT. BUT IT'S RIGHT WHERE I LAID IT UNDER THE BELL. IF YOU STILL WANT IT!
RAY! YOU...!
SO! YOU WERE SO SURE I'D THROW MYSELF ON YOUR MERCY THAT YOU DIDN'T EVEN BRING A GUN, EH, RAY? THAT'S PROBABLY YOUR LAST MISTAKE, BOY! THE BELL AND I HAVE AN AGREEMENT ...I BRING THEM HERE, IT KILLS THEM! FIRST CAULEY...NOW YOU!
SO, YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME? DON'T BELIEVE THAT A BELL CAN KILL? WELL, THEN, LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT POOR, POOR STEPHEN!
"WHEN STEPHEN AND I PARTED COMPANY ON THE CORNER IT WAS CHILDS PLAY TO DOUBLE BACK AND FOLLOW HIM HERE.
"WHILE THE FOOL WAS BLUNDERING AROUND IN THE BELFRY WAITING FOR HIS MYSTERIOUS TRAITOR TO APPEAR, IT WAS QUITE SIMPLE...ON CREPE SOLES... TO 'ATTEND' TO HIM FROM THE REAR!
"THAT ENDED MY PART IN HIS DEATH! I SIMPLY LOCKED THE DOOR OF THE BELFRY SECURELY, AND LEFT! IT WAS SATURDAY NIGHT, YOU KNOW, AND THE BELL BEGINS RINGING EARLY. SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT... AND CONTINUES ALL DAY SUNDAY! I DIDN'T NEED TO BE HERE TO KNOW WHAT HAPPENED! POOR STEPHEN AWOKE TO FIND HIMSELF ABOUT FIVE FEET AWAY FROM A CLANGING, TWO TON MONSTER OF CAST-IRON!
"THERE WAS REALLY NO ESCAPE, YOU KNOW! NO ONE COULD HEAR HIM SHOUTING ABOVE THE NOISE OF THE BELL, AND THE WINDOWS ARE TOO NARROW TO LEAP OUT OF IF THE THOUGHT OF SUICIDE WAS DESIRABLE! NO, THERE WAS NOTHING FOR POOR STEPHEN TO DO BUT AWAIT THE INEVITABLE!
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"SO...HE DIED! NO SIGNS OF VIOLENCE! NO BULLET HOLES! JUST A RUPTURED BRAIN AND INTERNAL HEMORRHAGE! TWELVE...FIFTEEN HOURS OF TERRIFIC VIBRATION WILL DO IT, YOU KNOW, JUST AS SURELY AS BEING LOCKED IN AN AIRTIGHT ROOM!"
AND THAT IS THE WHOLE STORY, RAY! NOW.. WH--!? STAY BACK, YOU FOOL!
IT'S NOW OR NEVER, PROFESSOR!
UGH...!
HAH! NOT AS SLOW AS YOU THOUGHT I WAS, EH?
I'VE WASTED TOO MUCH PRECIOUS TIME WITH YOU! THIS MAY BE MESSIER, BUT IT'S QUICKER!
LOOK OUT! IT'S MIDNIGHT! THE BELL'S GOING TO STRIKE!
DO YOU THINK I'M FOOL ENOUGH TO FALL FOR AN OLD RUSE LIKE THAT?
AHHHHHH!
BONNNNGGGGG!
THE NEXT DAY...
IT WAS A NICE BIT OF WORK, RAY, BUT IF WE'D BEEN QUIETER CLOSING IN ON HIM WE MIGHT HAVE GOT HIM ALIVE!
IT WAS MY FAULT, REALLY! I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU TO CLOSE IN EARLIER, BUT HE GOT THERE SOONER THAN I EXPECTED HIM TO!
OF COURSE, I SHOULD TAKE A LITTLE BACK-HANDED CREDIT FOR THIS, MYSELF! IF HE HADN'T MENTIONED "DEATH BY THE BELL" IN THAT TUSSLE WE HAD, RAY MIGHT NEVER HAVE GOT SUSPICIOUS OF HIM IN THE FIRST PLACE!
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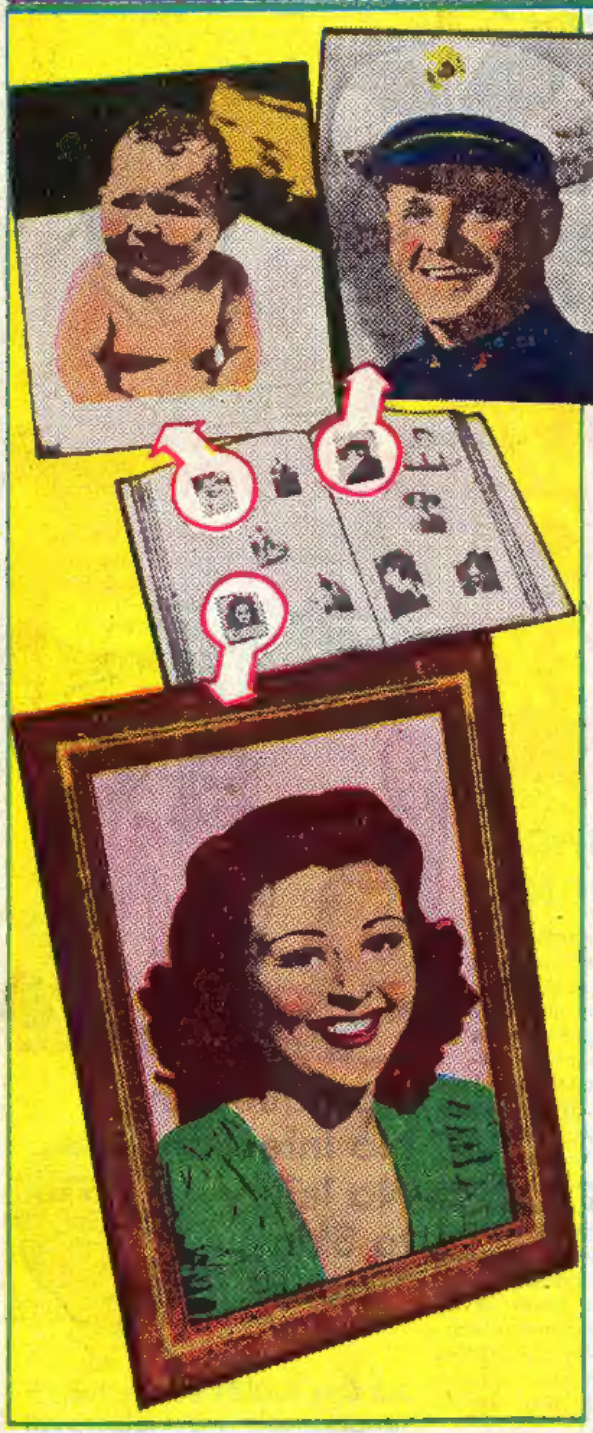

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So can you blame the fellow who says, "Sure, I meet lots of girls who look cute at first glance. But if, on that second glance, I see dingy blackheads, it's *good night!*"

Or can you blame the girl who confesses, "I hate to go out with a fellow who has blackheads. If he's careless about that you're sure he'll embarrass you in other ways, too!"

But you — are YOUR ears burning? Well, you've company and, sad to say, good company. There are lots of otherwise attractive fellows and girls who could date anyone they like if they'd only realize how offensive blackheads are . . . and how easily and quickly they could get rid of them . . . if they *want* to!

## "He-Man" Often Guilty of Blackhead Crime

Take your "he-man" . . . super at track, games, sports of all kinds . . . who thinks that after just a shower he's ready to go anywhere! And won't the girls all admire his muscles!

Sure they would! But not many dance floors are set up for hurdle races! You can't show off your snappy left hook when only cokes are in the ring. The "he-man" who's also clean-cut, will get the breaks wherever he is.

## Even Cute Girls Become Careless

Easy, too easy, for a girl to think that if she has the latest in clothes and hair-do she needn't bother about blackheads. A little more make-up, she guesses, will take care of that. BUT MAKE-UP WON'T HIDE BLACKHEADS! Not unless it's plaster of paris, maybe! And even good make-up "slips" at a dance! So don't take chances, cute though you may be!

### TAKE THESE TIPS TO BANISH BLACKHEADS

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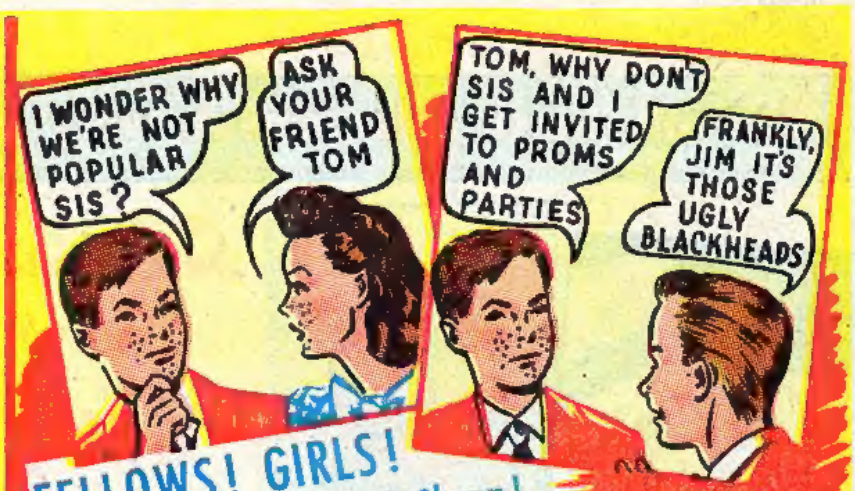
I WONDER WHY WE'RE NOT POPULAR SIS?
ASK YOUR FRIEND TOM
TOM, WHY DON'T SIS AND I GET INVITED TO PROMS AND PARTIES
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I can broaden your shoulders, strengthen your back, develop your whole muscular system INSIDE and OUTSIDE! I can add inches to your chest, give you a vise-like grip, make those legs of yours lithe and powerful. I can shoot new strength into your old backbone, exercise those inner organs, help you cram your body so full of pep, vigor and red-blooded vitality that you won't feel there's even "standing room" left for weakness and that lazy feeling! Before I get through with you I'll have your whole frame "measured" to a nice, new beautiful suit of muscle!

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